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Mr. J. C. Watson, Solicitor General for Scotland.

'DISGRACEFUL FACTS' THORBURN AFFAIR.

Barrage of Questions in the House.

CAPT. EDEN REPLIES.

London, Yesterday.
In the House of Commons to-day, at question time, indignant supplementary questions were fired at Capt. Eden, who in the absence of Sir John Simon, answered questions.

Regarding the Thorburn affair, Capt. Eden said, the British Minister in China had been authorised to inform the Chinese Government that its statement in regard to Thorburn had been accepted as satisfactory.

Sir Bertram Falle asked, whether any attempt had been made to discover Thorburn's grave and remains in order to read over it the Christian ceremony, and declared he was not satisfied with the information regarding burning of the body, as it was the most difficult thing to do to burn bones.

Capt. Eden replied that Sir Bertram's question was "impracticable," and added, that Thorburn's family had not advanced any compensation claim.

Sir H. R. Cayzer asked, in view of the "disgraceful facts" disclosed, whether Government would postpone further surrender of extraterritorial rights.

Capt. Eden replied, "that is another question."—Reuter.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ended October 31 amounted to 114,437 metric tons, and the sales to 136,676 metric tons.

UNPAID CONTRIBUTIONS TO LEAGUE

London, Yesterday.
Unpaid contributions to the League of Nations, in respect of the years 1920 to 1930 inclusive, total 14,264,000 gold francs, including from China 9,227,000, stated Capt. Eden in reply to a question in the House of Commons. The remainder was due by various Central and South American States. He added, the countries in question have not been relieved of their obligations and the matter received the constant attention of the Secretary General. The deficiency was met from the surplus funds of the League. It was his opinion that arrears did not affect voting power.—Reuter.

LEAGUE'S CRUCIAL MEETING IN PROGRESS

M. BRIAND SURVEYS AND SUMS UP THE POSITION

MORAL IMPORTANCE

ALL DANGER OF A BREACH IS NOW HELD TO BE OVER.

Paris, Yesterday.

All danger of a breach over the Manchurian question is definitely ended. This belief is widely shared as the result of to-day's meeting, at which there was nothing to suggest or hint at any course by way of enforcing the resolution of October 24.

The opening proceedings suffered from expressive publicity, through the disturbing rattle of camera shutters and the flash of magnesium exploding like a gunshot and disseminating fumes which brought on to M. Briand a violent fit of coughing.

M. Briand Speaks.

Summing up the position, M. Briand said, notwithstanding the October meeting they had been unable to obtain the consent of the two parties concerned to the draft resolution. This resolution remained of great moral importance. Immediately after the last meeting, Dr. Sze had stated that the Chinese Government was determined to fulfil its obligations, and was willing to settle the dispute with Japan regarding treaty interpretation by arbitration or a judicial settlement. The Japanese reply said that Dr. Sze's communication warranted a doubt of the interpretation which the Chinese Government placed on the validity of certain treaties, an attitude which the Japanese Government in no case would accept.

M. Briand paid tribute to the readiness of both parties to supply whatever information he requested. He saw therein a sign of their desire to co-operate loyally to settle the dispute.

Sole Desire Peace.

Continuing, M. Briand said, the Council would continue its efforts to devise a solution in the unbiased and impartial spirit it had always shown without concerning itself with the hasty judgments of tendentious comment. Their sole desire was peace. Justice would and must prevail on the basis of the respect of international obligations.

After remarks by Sir John Simon, and Herr von Bulow, the President said that there was the very natural legitimate desire, before approaching this serious question on the agenda, some private conversations should take place to consider procedure.

In the course of his summing up of the position, M. Briand was very precise regarding the question at issue, and declared

that it was necessary to devise, as rapidly as possible, measures to ensure the security of Japanese nationals and property, without which Japan declared she was unable to modify her attitude.

What Was Security?
M. Briand said, the trouble was to find what should be included under the head of security. Japan insisted on the question of the "fundamental issues" concerned in respect of treaties, especially those dealing with Manchuria and the railway zone. It seemed to him that Dr. Sze's letter, to which he had referred earlier in his speech, might fur-

nish the ground of an understanding, with a little goodwill on both sides.
When the delegates had filed out, Mr. Yoshizawa remained and talked with M. Briand, who once interrupted the conversation to send out and enquire if Dr. Sze had left the building. It was found that he had.

Japanese Troops' Movements.
Hiroshima, To-day.

The mixed brigade at Hiroshima, which is proceeding to Manchuria as replacements, left Ujina for Fusan this morning on three vessels.
Japanese Air Force Detachments for Mukden.
Tokyo, To-day.

Owing to the increasing gravity of the situation in Northern Manchuria several air force detachments, belonging to the Hamamatsu, Tachiarai, and Pingwang air regiments, left early this morning for Mukden.—Reuter.

LISTENER RATHER THAN TALKER.

Sir John Simon's Role in Paris.

GERMAN DEBTS.

Paris, Yesterday.

In connection with the suggestion that Sir John Simon, during his visit to Paris, should also engage in informal conversations with M. Briand and Von Bulow in regard to German Reparations and the £800,000,000 short-term credits "frozen" in Germany, it is understood that Sir John Simon does not intend to negotiate with the French Government about it during his stay, but doubtless he will sense the atmosphere concerning the subject in such conversations as he may have with members of the French Government, but Sir John Simon's role will be one of listener rather than talker.

Sir John Simon's sole reason for coming to Paris was to deal with the Sino-Japanese question, the "brief" of which he has been studying hard since he went to the Foreign Office.—Reuter.

[A British Wireless message yesterday stated that London newspapers anticipate that the presence in Paris of Sir John Simon will provide an occasion for discussion of the subject of German indebtedness, as a sequel to conversations which have taken place on the subject between M. Laval and Herr Von Hoersch.]

LANCASHIRE CONTINUES BUSY.
London, Yesterday.

Lancashire's cotton industry continues to show steady marked improvement. Production of the Egyptian spinning section has reached 85 per cent. of the normal, and the American section 77 per cent.—Reuter.

YEAR'S ARMAMENT TRUCE.

Geneva, Yesterday.

A year's armament truce, beginning November 1, 1931, has been accepted by all Governments invited to attend the Disarmament Conference in February, states a circular letter sent by the Secretary-General of the League to all Governments concerned.—Reuter.

The forthcoming marriage is announced of William Bell, of 4, Stanley Terrace, Quarry Bay, and Mary Munro Bell, en route from earlier in his speech, might fur-

NEWS TABLOIDS.

"Buy British," is the clarion call uttered by the Prince of Wales.

For the years 1920-30, unpaid contributions to the League of Nations total 14,264,000 gold francs, including a sum of 9,227,000 due from China.

The American and Egyptian sections of the Lancashire cotton industry are fast approaching normal working conditions.

R100, the giant airship, which made a successful flight to Canada in 1930, has been sold to a London firm of metal merchants for dismantling.

The Thorburn affair was raised yesterday in the House. The Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs was called upon to answer (1) whether Thorburn's remains had been given Christian burial, and (2) in view of the "disgraceful facts" disclosed, Government would postpone further surrender of extraterritorial rights.

Capt. Eden, replying, described question (1) as "impracticable," and added that Thorburn's family had advanced no compensation claim. With regard to (2) he said, "that is another question."

The League Council has embarked on its most crucial test. All danger of a breach is said to be definitely at an end. M. Briand opened proceedings yesterday with a lucid speech in which he surveyed and summed up the position. After which delegates adjourned to hold private conversations to consider procedure.

Apocryphal suggestion made in London newspapers that Sir John Simon, while in Paris, where he has gone primarily for the League meeting in connection with the Sino-Japanese dispute, should discuss the subject of German indebtedness, it is now stated that Sir John's role in this matter will be one of listener rather than talker.

All Governments participating in the Disarmament Conference to be held in February, 1932, have signified acceptance of one year's Armament Truce beginning November 1, 1931.

According to latest advices, Japanese Air Force detachments have left for Mukden, and a mixed brigade of Japanese troops has embarked for Manchuria.

Judgment against the owner of the s.s. San Nam King and an order for sale of the ship to meet the claims, was made by the Chief Justice, sitting in Admiralty Jurisdiction, in the Supreme Court this morning, in the action in which the seamen of the ship claimed their wages.

A similar action brought against the ship by a former master, Captain Antonio Pinto Marques, is now proceeding.

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REDRESSING BRITAIN'S TRADE BALANCE

"NO USE TAKING HALF MEASURES."

"TIME FOR DEBATE PAST"

BILL TO BE INTRODUCED AND ENACTED THIS WEEK.

London, Yesterday.

Britain, at last, has been vouchsafed definite indication of Government's intentions to redress trade balance and is amazed and delighted (according to respective Party viewpoints) to hear such full-blooded proposals from the lips of Mr. Runciman, who, hitherto, has been a staunch Free Trader.

"It is no use taking half measures," declared Mr. Runciman, but at the same time, decrying unscientific panic legislation. For example, said he, Government does not intend to ignore the great shipping industry, and is also determined to do nothing to hinder the payment of foreign debts to Britain. He held that one useful inventor was worth more than seventy Acts of Parliament, but, meantime, imports of goods of the class, to which the Bill would apply, had increased by £7,000,000 in the first ten days of November and any steps taken must effectively reduce the strain on our purchasing power abroad. The Bill would confer emergency powers that expire in six months' time. It is a "forestalling bill," therefore does not include agriculture, but the Minister of Agriculture is preparing proposals which will be ready shortly.

Incidentally, reviewing foreign influences, Mr. Runciman remarked, that the Sino-Japanese trouble was having a direct effect on some of our industries. There was no doubt that the boycott of Japanese goods had naturally led to a slightly increased demand for British textiles in China.—Reuter.

The Bill's Objects.
Government is introducing a Bill immediately, conferring special powers in relation to imports. This is in accordance with a statement made by Mr. Walter Runciman this afternoon. The Bill, which will be limited and of a flexible character, confers the power to impose duties in certain cases within limits. Government wishes to prevent importers forestalling the duties which may be imposed later as a part of the settled scheme of tariffs. Care has been taken in drafting the Bill to avoid rigid provisions. Disadvantageous changes of sterling, therefore, will be protected by checking unnecessary imports.

"Useful Range."
The time for mere debating is past," declared Mr. Runciman in the House of Commons, outlining Government's plans for checking imports which had become excessive in recent weeks in anticipation of the imposition of Customs duties. A Bill would be introduced to-morrow and enacted before the end of the week empowering the Board of Trade to impose a duty up to 100 per cent., a "useful range" for manufacturers and semi-manufacturers (loud Conservative cheers), but excluding agricultural produce.

He gave an assurance that there was no need for impatience over the Imperial Economic Conference to be held in Ottawa in July, 1932, as a Cabinet sub-committee was already dealing with questions relating to it.—Reuter.

S.S. SAN NAM KING CASE.

Judgment for Seamen Against Owner.

SALE WITHOUT STAY.

The action in Admiralty Jurisdiction, before the Chief Justice, in which the seamen of the s.s. San Nam King claimed wages against the ship, which has been seized, was concluded in the Supreme Court this morning.

The defendant Lau Yat, alias Lau Pak-hing, the owner of the ship, who conducted his own case, closed his defence to-day when he called as a witness Leung Hon-lai, formerly manager of the Lee Sai Navigation Co. (now in bankruptcy) which had the ship under charter at the time of the engagement of the crew.

This witness gave evidence which bore out the defendant's claim that the amount actually owing to the crew was \$300 less than the \$2,000 claimed.

Judgment.
In giving judgment, his Lordship said:—I do feel sympathy with the owner of the ship, as he asks me to, but what I have to administer is the law. The law in the protection of persons employed in sea-going occupations provides that they should be able to claim

against the ship for their wages. That loss, of course, fall on the owner of the ship.

In your case I am quite prepared to believe that the obligation to pay the crew in the first instance did not rest upon you at all but upon the charterers; also that there was no delay or refusal on the part of the owner in the earlier stages of the case because he did not know, and the failure to pay in the later stages was due to the fact that he had not the money at hand to do so.

Now, I have to exclude the account handed in by the witness, Leung Hon-lai and, I think, also, the account put in by the other side because they are both really hearsay. I, therefore, have to fall back on the evidence of the crew themselves and, though I should have like some confirmation I don't see anything in

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'BUY BRITISH,' SAYS PRINCE OF WALES

London, Yesterday.

The clarion cry of "Buy British" was uttered by the Prince of Wales in a stirring broadcast message on the occasion of the inauguration of the Empire Market Board's great campaign. He declared that buying British implied the selling of British goods and needed good honest teamwork all along the line. He urged listeners-in to "buy Home products first and Empire products second."—Reuter.



The King has conferred a Viscounty upon Mr. Philip Snowden, Chancellor of the Exchequer in the late Government and Lord Privy Seal in the present National Cabinet.

The "Iron Chancellor," as he came to be known, some time before the General Election announced that, owing to reasons of health, he did not intend to seek re-election to the House of Commons. But his usefulness to the State, especially at this time of crisis, is regarded as too great to permit of his dropping out of State service and so a way has been found to retain his services. The honour conferred upon him serves two purposes—reward for sterling service rendered of retaining those valuable services to the country and nation, and means to the country and nation for yet a while longer.

Mr. Snowden is now within three years of his 70th birthday. It is possible he will take the title of Viscount Snowden of Keighley.

the strict evidence to justify me in saying that the amounts claimed are wrong.

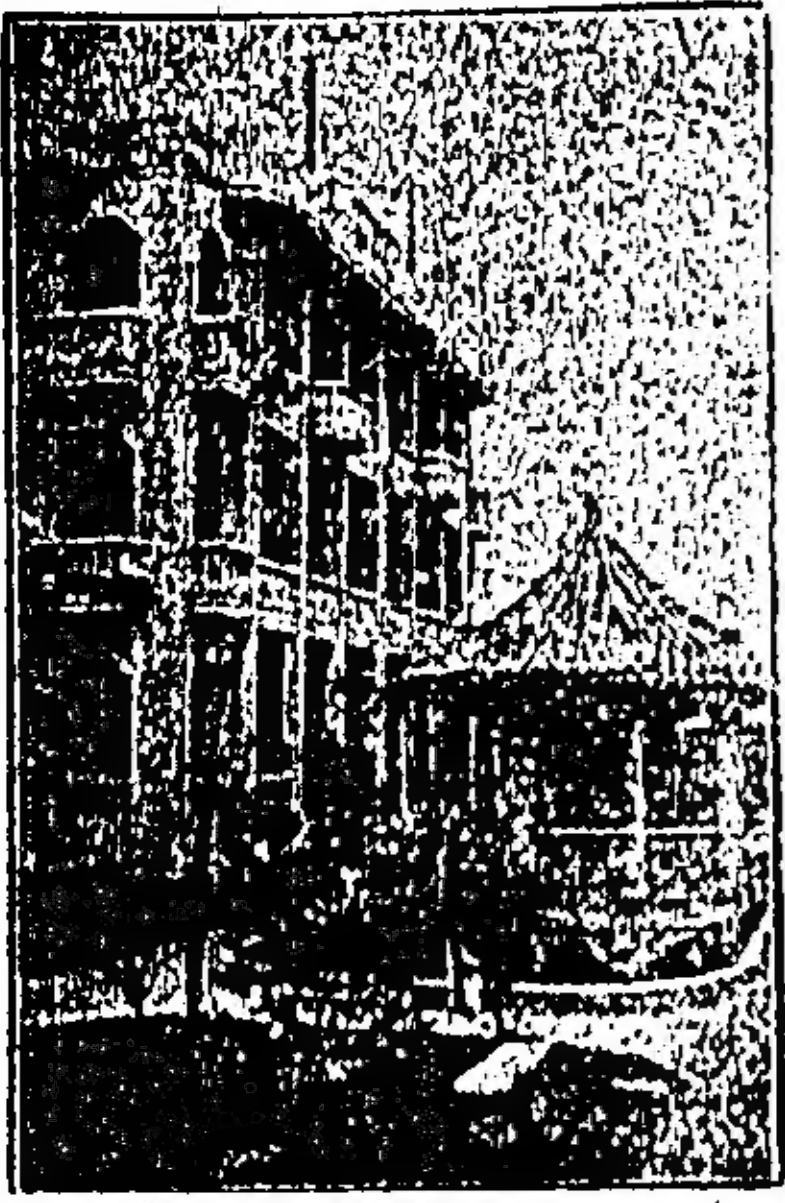
On the other legal points, I hold that the comrade's staff, and the coolies are entitled to a loan for their wages as seamen. They are persons necessary for the working of the ship as a ship and their wages have been allowed in at least one previous case here. They are not unlike the case of the purser in the English case cited, because the purser is not unlike, in some respects, the comrade. The purser and the comrade staff and the cargo coolies attend to what I might call the business of the ship though they don't attend to navigation.

I hold there is no right to ten days double pay because I think the section in the English Statute clearly does not apply.

His Lordship here pointed out that the writ of summons would have to be amended so as to include the names of the comrade's staff and to include reductions in two cases of the amount claimed, one from £255 to \$141.50 and the other from \$770 to \$700.

Mr. Leo d'Almada, jun. (for the plaintiffs) replied that that would be done.

Continuing, his Lordship said that subject to that judgment would be given against the ship for the amount claimed with costs, the costs to include maintenance, at the rate of half wages from the date of the writ to the date of judgment.



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Reviews from Official Sources.

"GIRLS DEMAND EXCITEMENT."

Virginia Cherrill, beautiful blonde film player playing one of the leading feminine roles in the Fox Movietone production, "Girls Demand Excitement," at the King's Theatre, believes that the law of averages works out to a disadvantage at times.

Although she has been two years in pictures, at this writing Miss Cherrill has never been on the screen due to the fact that she has been engaged for two full years playing the feminine lead in Chaplin's picture, "City Lights."

"Girls Demand Excitement" is a story of college life with the boys of the university banded against co-eds, the climax coming in a sensational basketball game almost won by the girls. John Wayne of "The Big Trail" fame plays the lead, with Marguerite Churchill also featured.

Included in the supporting cast are such well-known actors as William Janney, Eddie Nugent, Helen Jerome Eddy, Marion Byron, and Terrance Ray.

"STRANGERS MAY KISS."

Norma Shearer, now playing at the Queen's Theatre in "Strangers May Kiss," wheels into the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studios in a smart coupe with a trick horn. When the gatekeeper hears that funny little toot, he immediately knows that Miss Shearer is in the office.

Robert Montgomery and Nell Hamilton, leading men in the picture, both have small roadsters for "going to work" purposes; Marjorie Rambeau, who has a featured role, usually arrives at the studio in a small black coupe.

Greta Garbo, whom you would

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

The following unclaimed telegrams are lying at the office of the Great Northern Telegraph Company (Limited) of Denmark:

Roberto Smith, Repulse Bay Hotel, from Shanghai.
Roberto Herrera, Peninsula Hotel, from Tokyo.

H. EFFERSOE, Actg. Superintendent.
Hong Kong, November 11, 1931.

The following unclaimed telegrams are lying at the E.E. Telegraph Co. Office, Hong Kong:

Carmen Shear, 1, Wing Lock Building, Kowloon, from Shanghai.
Mr. F. Gregory, Room 343, Peninsula Hotel, Kowloon, from Nottingham.

S. LACK,

Manager.
Hong Kong, November 12, 1931.

POLICE RESERVE.

Orders for the Current Week.

Orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Inspector-General of Police, are as under:

Chinese Company.
Part 11—Training Course.—All recruits will report at the Chinese Company's Headquarters, 17, Queen's Road Central, to-day at 5.30 p.m. for instruction.

Part 1—Training Course.—All recruits of the Chinese Company will attend Central Police Station for Squad Drill on Thursday at 5.30 p.m.

N.C.O.'s Class.—All N.C.O.'s will attend the Chinese Company's Headquarters on Friday at 4 p.m. for instruction under Mr. Paterson, P.P.T.S.

Indian Company.
Part 11—Training Course.—All members who have not passed Part 11 of Training Course should attend at the Chinese Company's Headquarters, 17, Queen's Road Central, on Thursday at 5.30 p.m.

Sharpshooters' Company.
Revolver Practice.—Revolver practice will be carried out on the Kennedy Road Range on Friday at 5.15 p.m. Members will assemble on the range at that hour with belts, holsters and revolvers. Uniform optional.

Revolver Instruction.—All recruits will attend at the office of the O. I. Co. for revolver instruction to-morrow at 5.15 p.m. The following members will attend:

Constables R433 M. Frizer, R434 M. Greenberg, R439 J. A. M. Elphinstone, R440 L. Blumenthal and R441 B. I. Bickford.

Company Dinner.—The Dinner fixed for November 20 has been postponed until Friday, December 4. The place and time remain the same.

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"THE BRAT."

John Ford's latest production, "The Brat," which begins its local engagement to-morrow at the King's Theatre, is a romantic comedy. With Sally O'Neill in the title role and a brilliant cast, this versatile megaphonist is said to have turned out another success from the well known play by Maude Fulton.

Frank Albertson and Allan Dinehart share to the leading honours with Miss O'Neill. William Collier, sen., June Collyer, Virginia Cherrill, and Farrell Macdonald are also featured. Mary Forbes, Albert Cran and other favourites are in the supporting cast.

"JUST A GIGOLO."

"Just a Gigolo," based on the Belasco stage hit, "Dancing Partners," and starring the comical William Haines in the role of a festive British nobleman, is the attraction which is coming to the Queen's Theatre shortly.

A blend of comedy, romance and tense drama, the new picture is one unique in the history of the debonair William. He is seen as a Briton for whom his relatives have arranged a marriage, so he goes to a European Summer resort and poses as a gigolo to meet the girl chosen, learn what she's like, and apply a sort of "acid test." He gets slapped for his pains, but in the end he gets the girl, so all's well.

Two of the original players of the New York production appear with Haines in the persons of Irene Purcell and Charlotte Granville.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ADVERTISED IN CHINA MAIL.

Social Functions.

To-day—Ten Dance at Hong Kong Hotel; Dinner Dances at Peninsula and Hong Kong Hotels.

To-day—Entertainment by Lea DeJehans and William Rimels, Peninsula Hotel "Rose" Room.

To-day—St. Andrew's Ball Practice Dance.

To-day—Whist Drive, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 8.45 p.m.

To-day—Interport Cricket Open Air Concert, H.K.C. Club, 9.30 p.m.

To-morrow—Tea Dances at Hong Kong Hotel, King's Restaurant and Lane Crawford's.

To-morrow—Interport Cricketers' dinner, Government House.

Thursday—Cricket Interport Dinner, Hong Kong Hotel.

Friday—R. E. Old Comrades Association Annual Dinner, Hotel Cecil, 8 p.m.

Entertainments.
To-day—King's Theatre:

"Girls Demand Excitement."

To-day—Queen's Theatre:

"Strangers May Kiss."

To-day—Central Theatre:

"So This Is Paradise."

To-day—Majestic Theatre:

"Red Hot Rhythm."

To-day—Star Theatre:

"One Mad Kiss."

To-day—"Dear Brutus" by A.D.C., Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

To-morrow—Matinee "Dear Brutus," Theatre Royal, 5.15 p.m.

Concerts.
To-day and Friday—The Schneider Trio in Two Chamber Music Recitals, Helena May Institute, 9.20 p.m.

Thursday—Concert, Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous.
To-morrow—Fire Brigade annual drill display, Central Police Station, 8 p.m.

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M. L. Hau, W. M. Johnson, Otto Krauen, Mrs. C. Kaye.

Oliver Lee, Geo. Mellis, C. Mather.

Capt. O. Paus, D. Ross, W. R. Ricketts, R. R. Roxburgh.

Frank Strahan, Harry Town.

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Major and Mrs. H. P. Hart, Miss Hart, Mr. Stanley Hill, Mr. A. Hugo, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Jones, Miss Jones, Mr. G. E. L. Johnson, Captain and Mrs. W. Lee, Mrs. G. B. Legge, Mr. R. S. Logan, Captain and Mrs. Mitchell, Dr. E. M. Minnett, Captain and Mrs. Marrack.

RADIO.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 855 metres:

5-8 p.m.—European Programme of Victor & H.M.V. Records.

5-5.15 p.m.—Waltzes.

Dreaming (Joyce), The Druid's Prayer (Davson), London Palladium Orchestra (B3852).

Danube Waves (Ivanovici arr. Pachernegg), Danube Legends (Fucik), Ferdy Kauffman and His Orchestra (C2199).

5.15-5.47 p.m.—A Concert.

Violin Solo—Sielanka (Wienlawski), Poem (Fibich-Kubelick), Ruth Possett (4184).

Vocal Duet—The Thought Never Entered My Head (Novello), Moon Enchanted (Besley), Winnie Melville and Derek Oldham (B3276).

Organ Solo—The Swan (Saint-Saens), Marcel Dupre (E518).

Violin Solo—Waltz in G Flat (Chopin), Persian Song (Glinka-Zimbalist), Efreim Zimbalist (1154).

Song—The Mountains O'Mourne (Collinson), The Cobbler's Song (Norton), Peter Dawson, Bass-Baritone (B3772).

5.47-6.09 p.m.—Operatic.

Song—Tales of Hoffman—Doll Song (Offenbach), Mignon—I'm Fair Titania (Thomas), Marion Talley (Soprano) (6718).

Chorus—Rigoletto—Vocal Gems (Verdi), Light Opera Co. (C2152).

Song—Lulus Miller—When the Night is Calm (Verdi), Tito Schipa (Tenor) (7145).

6.09-6.53 p.m.—Orchestral.

From an Indian Lodge (MacDowell), Love Song (MacDowell), Victor Concert Orchestra (20342).

Three Cornered Hat Suite (De Falla), New Light Symphony Orch. (B3212-2).

Contrasts—Polpourri of Famous Melodies (Rohrrecht), Marek Weber & His Orch. (C2232).

Fantasy Rumanesco (Sicfanesco), Countess Maritza—Selection (Kalmann), Alfred Rode & His Tzigano Orchestra (B3902).

The Caravan (Bayer arr. Leopold), The Coolies of Sumatra (Jessel), Marek Weber & His Orch. (B3830).

6.53-7.40 p.m.—Variety.

Song—I'll Always be True, The Party's Getting Rough, Gracie Fields (Comedienne) (B3908).

Song—I'd Rather be a Beggar with You, Faithfully Yours, Patrick Waddington (Bartitone) with "That Certain Trio" (B3900).

Organ Solo—Thistledown, Exactly Like You, Edward O'Henry (B3571).

Chorus—Songs of Good Cheer, Light Opera Male Chorus (C2151).

Humorous Song—Fall in and Follow the Band, Sally, Gracie Fields (B3879).

Orchestral—Miracle Melodies, New Mayfair Orchestra (B3907).

7.40-8 p.m.—Aldershot Command Searchlight Tattoo, 1931.

Massed Bands of the Aldershot Command (C2250-1).

8 p.m.—Local Time.

8.03-11.30 p.m.—Relay from Kowloon Theatre.

11.30 p.m.—Close Down.

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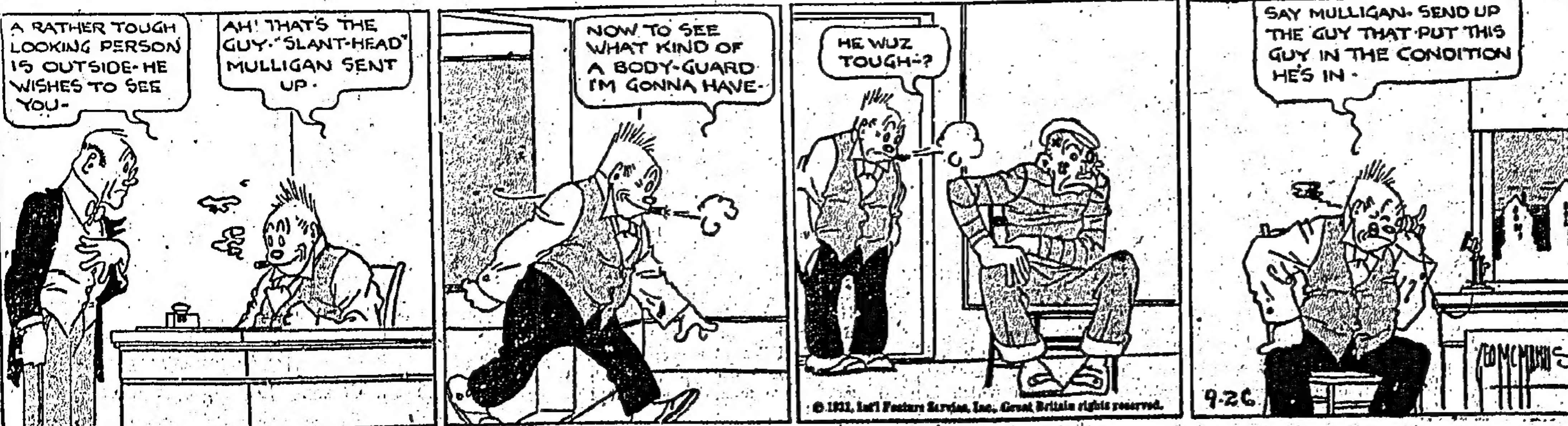
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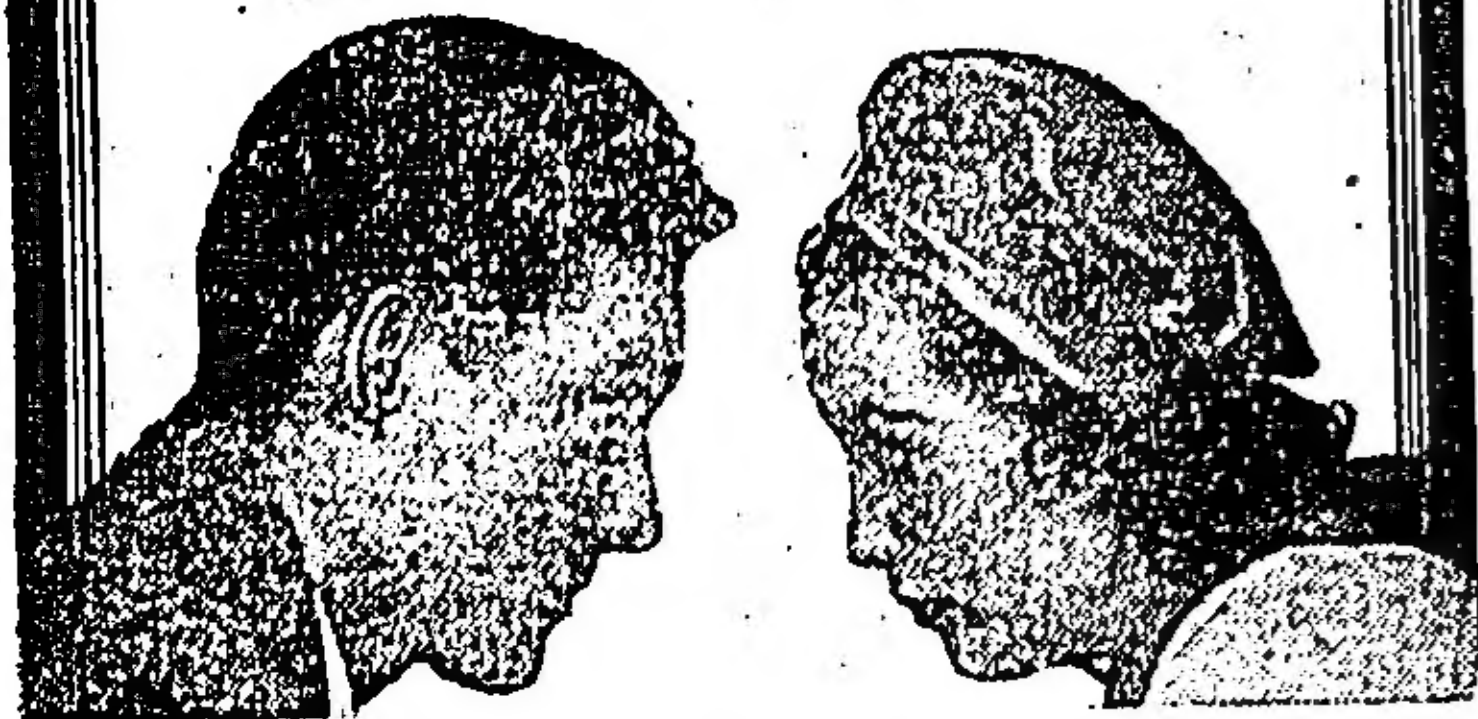
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HONG KONG WELL DEFEATED BY SHANGHAI RIVALS

DONALD LEACH WINS THE GAME

HONG KONG'S STAR BATSMEN FAIL AT CRITICAL MOMENT

BOWLING HANDLED POORLY

[By Ex-Interporter.]

Special to The China Mail

Shanghai gained their fourth success on the Hong Kong Cricket Club ground when they defeated Hong Kong yesterday by seven wickets after holding the whip hand throughout the game. It was a meritorious victory and a personal triumph for Donald Leach, the visiting captain.

Now that the game is concluded a little criticism and a few remarks would be in keeping. A weak Hong Kong side did no more than their best against an eleven which displayed definite superiority in all departments of the game. Had Hong Kong been represented by the best team possible the result would probably have looked better on paper but Shanghai would have won.

Inferiority Complex.

The opening batsman played heroically against bowling such as Hong Kong is unable to produce and no blame can be attached to them. The contrast offered when Simpson and Fincher were at the crease was ideal from the point of view of wearing down the opposing attack. This they did to a large extent but the succeeding batsmen were unable to take advantage of the situation. An inferiority complex set in as soon as the first wicket fell. The loose ball was treated with respect and one would have thought that the Hong Kong batsmen were again battling for their places in the Trials.

Owen Hughes was the only batsman, other than Simpson, who showed any initiative at all but his carelessness was again greatly in evidence. His batting has shown a remarkable falling away this year. Careless strokes are not good enough for Interport Cricket. In the second innings he was bowled by a ball at which he played with a perfect cross bat. He did not get the runs expected of him and his failure could very well be responsible for the collapses in both innings.

Pearce Fails.

Pearce, who has inspired great confidence in his abilities during the Trials, failed miserably in batting. In the second innings when things were looking bad for Hong Kong he was completely deceived by a faster-delivered ball from Madar. His wicket-keeping was far from perfect, there being no fewer than eighteen byes in the Shanghai first innings.

Musson was another failure. His change of style in the second innings was not in keeping with the situation at all. Shanghai held the upper hand and until the arrears had been wiped off no big hitting should have been attempted except of course off the full toss, the half volley and the long hop on the leg. To go half way up the pitch to Madar was asking for trouble and he got it.

Hamilton Impresses.

Hamilton justified his inclusion by his knock in the first innings and his very keen fielding. He was bowled by a beauty in the second innings for a "duck," but he had the consolation of being bowled by one of Leach's best.

Macfarlan, though he helped materially to save the innings defeat, did not justify his inclusion. He was bowled in the first innings as the result of a very bad stroke and in the second innings while Hong Kong still breathed he returned a simple catch to Madar. One or two of his strokes were well executed but Leach soon showed that his defensive play was deplorably weak.

Richardson's batting was weak. If the selectors included him for batting alone they must indeed have been disappointed. He fell into Madar's cunning trap in the second innings after having poked about for twenty minutes without scoring.

Pereira Unlucky.

Pereira failed to produce any effect upon Shanghai's opening batsmen and his value as a shock bowler was lost. He, however, bowled well in his second spell and was unfortunate on several occasions when the batsmen failed

to connect when attempting to nibble. He played a stout-hearted innings when Hong Kong were facing the innings defeat and his six, which was a glorious straight drive was an effortless stroke and well worthy of the maximum score.

SCORES.

HONG KONG—1st Innings.										
E. C. Fincher, lb.w., b Booth	23									
O. G. Simpson, b Leach	25									
A. H. Musson, c Madar, b Booth	16									
A. C. Hamilton, lb.w., b Booth	24									
H. Owen Hughes, c Wilson, b Leach	23									
T. E. Pearce, b Leach	3									
J. K. Macfarlan, b Booth	4									
J. E. Richardson, c Wilson, b Leach	5									
F. D. Pereira, b Leach	4									
A. Reid, c Coward, b Booth	4									
A. C. I. Bowker, not out	0									
Extras (B. 1, L.B. 5)	6									
Total	138									
Fall of the Wickets.										
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10										

BOWLING ANALYSIS.										
Wilson	O.	M.	R.	W.						
Isaacs	9	2	32	3						
Leach	17	6	23	0						
Madar	17	0	20	0						
Booth	13	2	27	5						

SHANGHAI—1st Innings.										
S. R. Kermani, c Owen Hughes, b Richardson	25									
P. V. Simpson, lb.w., b Bowker	21									
P. Madar, b Reid	21									
A. J. Barson, c Macfarlan, b Richardson	0									
H. A. Coward, c Pearce, b Musson	0									
D. W. Leach, c Simpson, b Richardson	59									
R. Booth, b Bowker	2									
C. J. Merritt, b Bowker	3									
T. W. E. Wilson, c Owen Hughes, b Hamilton	4									
J. A. Isaacs, b Hamilton	21									
B. V. W. Murray, not out	24									
Extras (B. 18, L.B. 9)	27									
Total	237									
Fall of the Wickets.										
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10										

BOWLING ANALYSIS.										
Pereira	O.	M.	R.	W.						
Reid	13	4	30	0						
Hamilton	4	5	5	2						
Owen Hughes	5	1	31	0						
Richardson	14	1	48	3						
Bowker	20	4	42	3						
Musson	7	2	42	1						

HONG KONG—2nd Innings.										
O. G. Simpson, c Barson, b Isaacs	27									
E. C. Fincher, b Leach	11									
A. H. Musson, c Coward, b Madar	9									
A. C. Hamilton, b Leach	0									
H. Owen Hughes, b Booth	19									
T. E. Pearce, b Madar	1									
J. K. Macfarlan, c and b Madar	14									
F. D. Pereira, b Leach	20									
J. E. Richardson, c Coward, b Madar	10									
A. Reid, not out	8									
A. C. I. Bowker, b Madar	8									
Extras (B. 5, L.B. 1)	6									
Total	125									
Fall of the Wickets.										
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10										

BOWLING ANALYSIS.										
Isaacs	O.	M.	R.	W.						
Wilson	10	2	22	0						
Booth	4	1	22	1						
Madar	10	3	24	5						
Leach	15	3	37	3						

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P. V. Simpson, c Pearce, b Bowker	3									
S. R. Kermani, not out	18									
P. Madar, b Reid	5									
A. J. Barson, c Pereira, b Bowker	5									
B. V. W. Murray, not out	0									
Extras	1									
Total	42									
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BOWLING ANALYSIS.										
Bowker	O.	M.	R.	W.						
Reid	6	1	20	2						
Leach	5	1	17	1						
Total	12	2	37	3						

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GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP OF COLONY

DRAW FOR FIRST TOURNEY

The following is the draw for the Open Golf Championship of the Colony:

9.25 a.m. B. D. Evans, v. A. E. Lissaman.	Players will start in the afternoon in the order in which they finish in the morning; times will be allotted by Superintendent; afternoon rounds start at 12.45 p.m.
9.30 a.m. O. E. C. Marton, v. W. C. Shields.	Prizes.
9.35 a.m. A. Leach, v. C. E. Holmes.	1. Championship of Colony—First (36 holes).
9.40 a.m. A. C. I. Bowker, v. I. W. Shewan.	2. Championship of Colony—Runner-up (36 holes).
9.45 a.m. W. D. Denham, v. G. H. Russell (1).	3. Jasper Clark Cup (R.H.K.G.C. Members only)—First (36 holes).
9.50 a.m. H. U. Ireland, v. W. R. Vallance.	4. Jasper Clark Cup (R.H.K.G.C. Members only)—Second (36 holes).
9.55 a.m. I. Newton, v. A. T. Bralley (1).	5. Visitors—Special Prize (36 holes).
10.00 a.m. L. G. S. Dodwell, v. J. W. Franks.	6. Best round in morning.
10.05 a.m. H. G. Sheldon, v. E. P. White.	7. Best round in afternoon.
10.10 a.m. C. B. Johnson, v. K. S. Robertson.	1, 2, 3, 4, 5—If ties will be played off over 18 holes on or before November 28; 6 and 7—if ties will be decided on best last 9 holes (or 6 or 3 if necessary)—and cannot be won by anyone taking any prize 1—5.
10.15 a.m. A. Sommerfelt, v. F. E. Booker (3).	Tiffins are ordered for all players. Scratchings should be notified as soon as possible. Revised starting times will appear in week-end papers.
10.20 a.m. L. H. Ruffin, v. D. C. Wilson (1).	Club Championship.
10.25 a.m. D. M. MacDougall, v. A. B. Stewart.	The following is the draw for the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club club championship:
10.30 a.m. J. K. MacFarlan, v. W. Mulenhy.	Preliminary round:—A. D. Humphreys v. J. E. H. Cogan; O. E. C. Marton v. K. S. Robertson; A. B. Stewart v. D. G. Bruce; A. B. Purves v. C. E. Holmes; N. L. Smith v. J. W. Franks; J. S. MacLaren v. I. W. Shewan; W. Mulenhy v. W. C. Shields; A. C. I. Bowker v. I. Newton.
10.35 a.m. J. A. R. Selby, v. C. C. Stark.	Byes:—R. K. Hepburn v. A. B. Raworth; F. J. de Rome v. S. J. H. Fox; A. H. Mussen v. F. A. Merry; L. G. S. Dodwell v. T. R. Chassels; R. A. Campbell v. E. J. R. Mitchell; W. R. Vallance v. H. G. Sheldon.
10.40 a.m. D. J. Gilmore, v. A. W. da Roza (2).	Byes:—J. H. Geare v. D. M. MacDougall; G. R. Horridge v. J. H. Anderson; J. D. Thomson v. H. U. Ireland; C. W. F. Booker v. W. D. Denham; R. C. Law v. F. A. Redmond; J. K. MacFarlan v. A. E. Lissaman.
10.45 a.m. F. Syme Thomson, v. W. Taylor (1).	Preliminary round to be played on or before December 5.
10.50 a.m. J. S. MacLaren, v. A. D. Humphreys.	1st and 2nd round to be played on or before December 6.
10.55 a.m. I. H. Geare, v. C. W. F. Booker.	3rd round and semi-final to be played on or before December 13.
11.00 a.m. A. H. Mussen, v. E. O. Priestley.	Final to be played on or before December 20.
11.05 a.m. J. D. Thomson, v. D. G. Bruce.	
11.10 a.m. G. B. Lane, v. G. R. Horridge.	
11.15 a.m. W. N. Buyers, v. F. A. Redmond.	
11.20 a.m. G. W. Sewell, v. F. J. de Rome.	
11.25 a.m. J. H. Anderson, v. A. B. Purves.	
11.30 a.m. A. B. Raworth, v. R. K. Hepburn.	
11.35 a.m. T. D. E. Pendered (A), v. A. Lopez (2).	
11.40 a.m. R. A. Campbell, v. F. A. Merry.	
11.45 a.m. S. J. H. Fox, v. A. E. Lissaman (3).	
11.50 a.m. J. E. H. Cogan, v. F. E. A. Remedios (2).	
11.55 a.m. A. O. Brown, v. E. D. da Roza (2).	

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(2)—Country Club.
(3)—Junior Section, R.H.K.G.C.

SPORTS NEWS IN BRIEF.

Sydney, Yesterday.
The South Africans were only able to score 190 for the loss of three wickets against New South Wales before rain caused play to be abandoned for the day. Curlew at the close of play had scored 62 not out.—Reuter.

Sydney, Yesterday.
Alan Fairfax, the Australian Test Cricketer, has accepted an offer to play for the Accrington Club in Lancashire League cricket at a salary believed to be £20 a week. He is leaving for England in March.—Reuter.

The following will represent the Kowloon Rugby Club against the Club "A" at Happy Valley tomorrow at 5 p.m.:—

Cpl. Frankham; Lieut. Keith Murray; D. Black; G. C. Burnett; J. J. Ferguson; F. D. Kilby; D. J. S. Crozier; L. Tippet; A. Walters; J. Cogan; Lieut. Grayham; S. Hardy; J. E. Wilson; S. McNider; J. Riddell. Reserves, A. Eastbrook, T. Whitely, W. Stoker, R. Wittchell.

The second Ladies' Championship of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club was sailed yesterday afternoon, the course being as follows:
Lyman Beacon (P), Mark on Line (P), Channel Rocks (P). Distance 7.7 miles.

The results were:
"H" Class, Started 3 p.m.
Siskin (1) 9 pts.
(Miss J. Mackie)
Diana (3) 6 pts.
(Mrs. E. M. Bingham)
Dorothea (2) 7 pts.
(Mrs. L. Stanton)

Colleen (4) 5 pts.
(Miss N. Naessen)
"I", "Y" and "G" Class, Started 3.50 p.m.

Daphne (2) 18 pts.
(Miss M. Stokes)
Alisa (4) 11 pts.
(Mrs. D. Lambert)
Why Wonder (7) 8 pts.
(Mrs. Fowkes)
Bluejacket (1) 15 pts.
(Mrs. G. D. Adams)
Boojum (3) 12 pts.
(Mrs. G. Pickering)
Speedwell (5) 10 pts.
(Mrs. N. G. Stewart)
Eunice (6) 9 pts.
(Mrs. C. Rose)
Joan (8) 7 pts.
(Miss Bird)

Cruiser Championship.
The first cruiser championship race was sailed on Sunday, the course being:
Discovery Bay Islets (S), Green Island (P), Stonecutters Island (S), Distance, 24 miles.

The race resulted as follows:
Azuma (6) Mr. E. R. Lambert
La Cigale (4) Mr. N. Croucher
Isis (5) Mr. A. Anstruther

Norremman D.N.F.
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Mr. A. H. Chambers
Uand I. (1) Mr. H. J. Pearce
Curlew (8) Major Toth
Wanderer (2) Mr. F. Baker
Sea Lark D.N.F. Mr. Cook

The Interport Cricket match having concluded yesterday, the game between Shanghai and United Services, originally arranged for tomorrow, commenced to-day at 1.30 p.m. and will be continued to-morrow.

The United Services are represented by the following:—Capt.

THE HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP,

Reggie Meen Wins the British Title.

SCOTT'S SUCCESSOR.

Leicester, Yesterday.
Reggie Meen (15 st. 1/2 lb.) out-pointed Charlie Smith (14 at 13 lb.) in a fifteen-round fight for the British heavyweight championship. Meen comes from Market Harborough and Smith from Deptford.—Reuter.

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL

CRICKET—To-day and Tomorrow—United Services v. Shanghai at the H.K.C.C. at 1.30 p.m.
Thursday—Kowloon C.C. v. Shanghai at the K.C.C. at 11 a.m.
Saturday—League I—Hong Kong C.C. v. R.A.; Indian R.C. v. Civil Service C.C.; League II—Civil Service C.C. v. Indian R.C.; Police v. Hong Kong C.C.; Friends—Kowloon C.C. v. Craig-gower C.C.; Craig-gower C.C. II v. Kowloon C.C. II.

HOCKEY—To-day—Radio Sports Club v. Argyls at Caroline Hill.
To-morrow—Hong Kong Hockey Club v. H.K.S.R.A. at the U.S.R.C. at 5 p.m.

Friday—Hong Kong Hockey Club "A" v. 4th Regiment at the Madras ground at 5 p.m.; C.B.A. v. Radio Sports Club.

FOOTBALL—To-morrow—Division I—Navy v. Argyls at Soekunpo at 4.15 p.m.
Saturday—Lai Wah Cup—Civilians v. Navy.

RUGBY FOOTBALL—To-morrow—Club "A" v. Kowloon Rugby Club at Happy Valley at 5 p.m.

GOLF—Thursday—First round of Railway Cup (Ladies).
Sunday—Open Championship of the Colony; R.H.K.G.C. Jasper Clark Cup Competition.

TENNIS—Sunday—U.S.R.C. Mixed Doubles Tournament.

Burnett (captain), Lieut. A. M. Anstruther, Lieut. F. S. Barlow, Lieut. A. C. Hamilton, Mid. Hunt-ling, Lieut. J. K. MacFarlan, Capt. Moir, Capt. Mirehouse, Lieut. Comdr. R. J. Shaw, Lieut. Comdr. Skyrme and Lieut. O. B. Younger.

The following will represent the Y.M.C.A. first hockey eleven against the H.M.S. Medway this afternoon at King's Park at 5.10 p.m.:—

L. D. Skinner; A. Tate, L. W. Tippet; G. Mitchell, R. A. Bates, F. Allen; A. N. Othier, F. Parker, D. McLellan (captain), W. J. Brown, and T. J. Price.

The Interport Cricket Committee are holding an Open Air Concert on the Hong Kong Cricket Club ground this evening at 9.15 p.m.

A WEEK'S DISEASES.

Fresh Cases of Diphtheria.

54 TUBERCULOSIS DEATHS.

The official return of diseases and deaths during the week ended November 14 is as follows:—

Cases	Deaths
Typhoid fever	3
Diphtheria	9
Tuberculosis	54

Two cases of typhoid were imported.

Summary to November 14.

The returns from January 1 to November 14 give the following figures:—

Cases	Deaths
Typhoid fever	195
Small-pox	14
Scarlet fever	3
Diphtheria	116
Cerebro-spinal fever	19
Puerperal fever	18
Paratyphoid fever	1
Tuberculosis	2,629

Twenty-one of the typhoid cases were non-Chinese, as were three scarlet fever cases, one small-pox case, one cerebro-spinal fever case, and 30 diphtheria cases.

CHASTISED SON ACCORDING TO LAWS OF SOLOMON.

The story of a man's alleged ill-treatment of his 15-year-old son because the boy rebelled against attending his father's weekly Scripture lessons was told to the Staple Hills (Bristol) magistrates, recently, when the N.S.P.C.C. prosecuted Walter Shade, of Longwells Green, near Bristol, for alleged cruelty to his son Maurice, on September 13. The boy said that when he went to play in the garden instead of attending his father's Scripture lesson, his father struck him with a stick, and then struck him in the face with his fist.

In a long statement to the magistrates, Shade said he was a Christian. "I chastise my boy according to the laws of Solomon. It is according to the law of God that a father should chastise a rebellious son. I am under a law that probably you gentlemen know nothing about. I am unorthodox."

He admitted striking the boy with a rod, but said the blow with the fist was accidental. He was remanded in custody for a week for medical examination.

HAPPY, THOUGH MODERN.

Youth And Old Age.

By H. C. BAILEY.

In a week devoted to the stringent need of economy comes opportunely Dean Inge's discourse to the Modern Churchmen's Conference on how to be happy, though modern. It used to be simpler. The world has become more difficult. Men are not so easy to please.

Dr. Inge went back to the Greeks and their short prescription for happiness, first health, second good looks, third wealth, fourth, to be young with one's friends. I should not myself call that a very joyful theory of life. The number of years during which a man can be young is not many. When grizzling hair the brain doth clear a man may naturally desire that "the men who were boys when I was a boy shall sit and drink with me" and share regretful memories, but it is surely uncommon so to honour your vanished youth as to feel that you are never again to be quite happy.

In fact, the Greeks themselves were by no means unanimous about the felicity of being young. One of their pet stories was of Sophocles saying he thanked heaven he had left youth behind and "escaped from a mad and furious master." The ordinary man, I suppose, feels that both age and youth have their advantages roughly summed up in the French tag, "Si la jeunesse savait, si la vieillesse pouvait"—had youth the wisdom, had age the vigour!

A set of modern young men, Dean Inge tells us, were asked to specify the elements in happiness, and the result was considerably different from the Greek notion. The modern wants a great deal more and does not set the same value on things. Eleven blessings are necessary to his felicity instead of four, and they include such endowments as "spiritual or moral excellence and intellectual excellence," which the simple-hearted Greek did not bother about at all.

But I cannot think these modern youths are, as reported, quite normal. The ordinary young man may naturally desire to be a decent fellow and to possess a fair share of brains, and he may reasonably believe these qualities are required for happiness. But if you heard of a youth aspiring to spiritual and intellectual excellence would you think that he was in the way to reach either?

Dr. Inge is more surprised that the moderns are rather casual about wealth. They give it only the eleventh and last place among their wishes, and the Dean remarks that this "sounds juvenile or insincere." Let us be charitable and say that it is juvenile. A love of money is not one of the vices characteristic of youth, which is apt to err rather in the other direction. Modern or Greek or of any other period, the general majority would agree that a sufficiency of this world's goods to provide for comfortable living is one of the conditions of happiness.

What is necessary to comfort is, however, an insoluble problem. The man who was passing rich on forty pounds a year is proverbial. There was John-son's clerical friend happily bringing up a large family on a small stipend by feeding them "chiefly on apple dumplings."

The difference between the Greek and the modern conception of happiness which Dean Inge emphasised is that the Greek felt it absolutely necessary to be good-looking, while our youth of 1931 do not think it matters much. But this seems to me a mis-judgment. The moderns did specify "physical excellence" as one of the ingredients of happiness. Though good looks may not be as important in the popular modern world as in Greece, where beauties, male and female, had a national honour, surely all sorts and conditions of people think a lot of them.

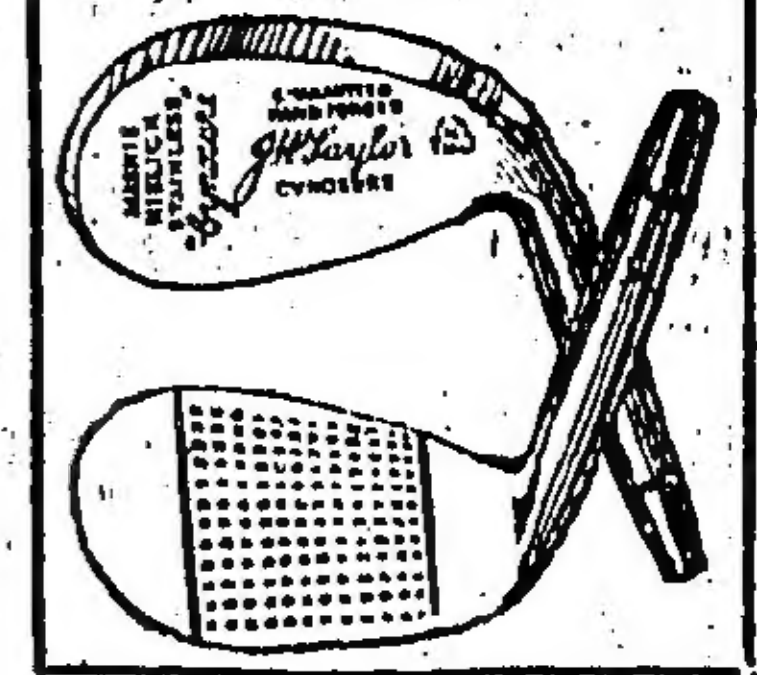
The ultimate truth may not be very far from the fable which tells of an ancient Greek coming to life in the modern world and pronouncing that the only element of happiness known to us and unknown to them was tobacco.

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Since the commencement of the existing economic situation the Canadian Pacific Railway has spent a matter of eleven to twelve million dollars in providing work for unemployed Canadians. When it was apparent in the late summer of 1930, that certain areas of southern Saskatchewan were to suffer from almost complete crop failure, the Company took upon itself to assist the people in that territory by beginning the construction of a branch line between Vauxhall and Maymonte. This line would not, in the ordinary course of events, have been built for some time, and certainly not at a time when there was no crop available, in that particular territory.



Mr. E. W. Beatty, Chairman and President of the Canadian Pacific Railway, said to give employment to the farmers and their families in the drought area. The total cost of the line is estimated to be approximately \$1,000,000, and this work is still proceeding.

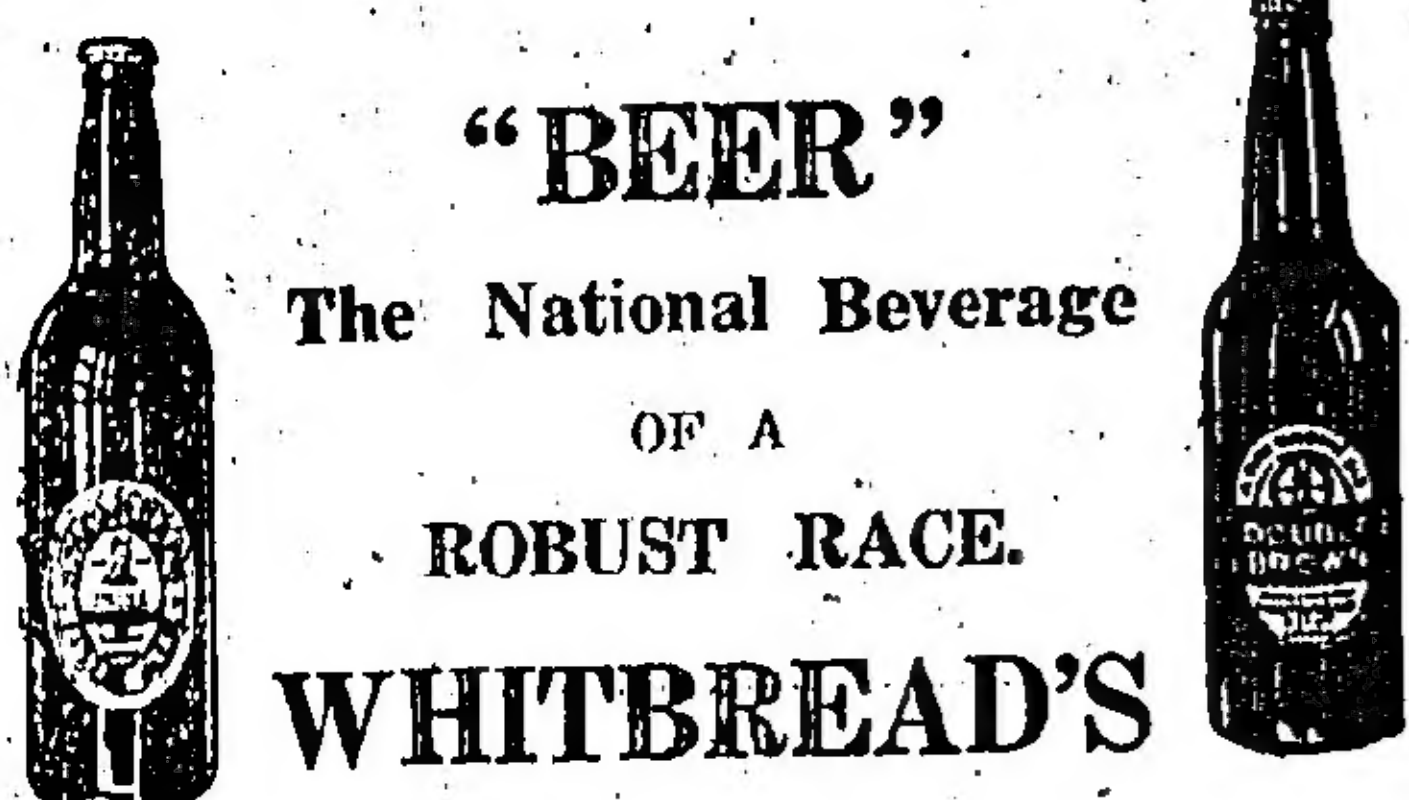
The Dominion Government subsequently undertook considerable work for the unemployed relief, and the Canadian Pacific was called upon to cooperate. This the Company did to the limit of its ability by anticipating works which would, normally, not have been started for a number of years. These works included a number of new branch lines, the building of a new station at Regina, some grade

revision in British Columbia, and also the application on various subdivisions of gravel and new rock and gravel ballast. The total cost of these works were estimated at \$11,514,000 and, according to agreement with the Government, are to be completed at the end of the current year. It is true that the Dominion agreed to pay interest for a limited period on this capital cost, but after receipt of this interest, the Canadian Pacific will still have expended over \$10,000,000 from its own Treasury in order to improve the situation in the country generally. This expenditure has been made at a time when the Company's revenues are suffering severely as a result of business depression. This programme of work, undertaken in order to cooperate with the Government, had given 351,000 days work to individuals otherwise unemployed up to August 31st last, and at September 14th it was estimated that approximately 100,000 more working days would be furnished before the works were completed.

Although the Company has succeeded in making substantial reductions in operating costs, it has hesitated to pursue its policy of economy to the limit out of regard for the serious obligation which rests upon all corporations to give as much employment as possible. While protecting the interest of shareholders as far as is consistent with its duty to the country, the Canadian Pacific has been conservative in its application of measures which would increase the number of unemployed in Canada. Only recently, after extending very severe decreases in earnings, have they pared down their forces to the bare essentials necessary for operation.

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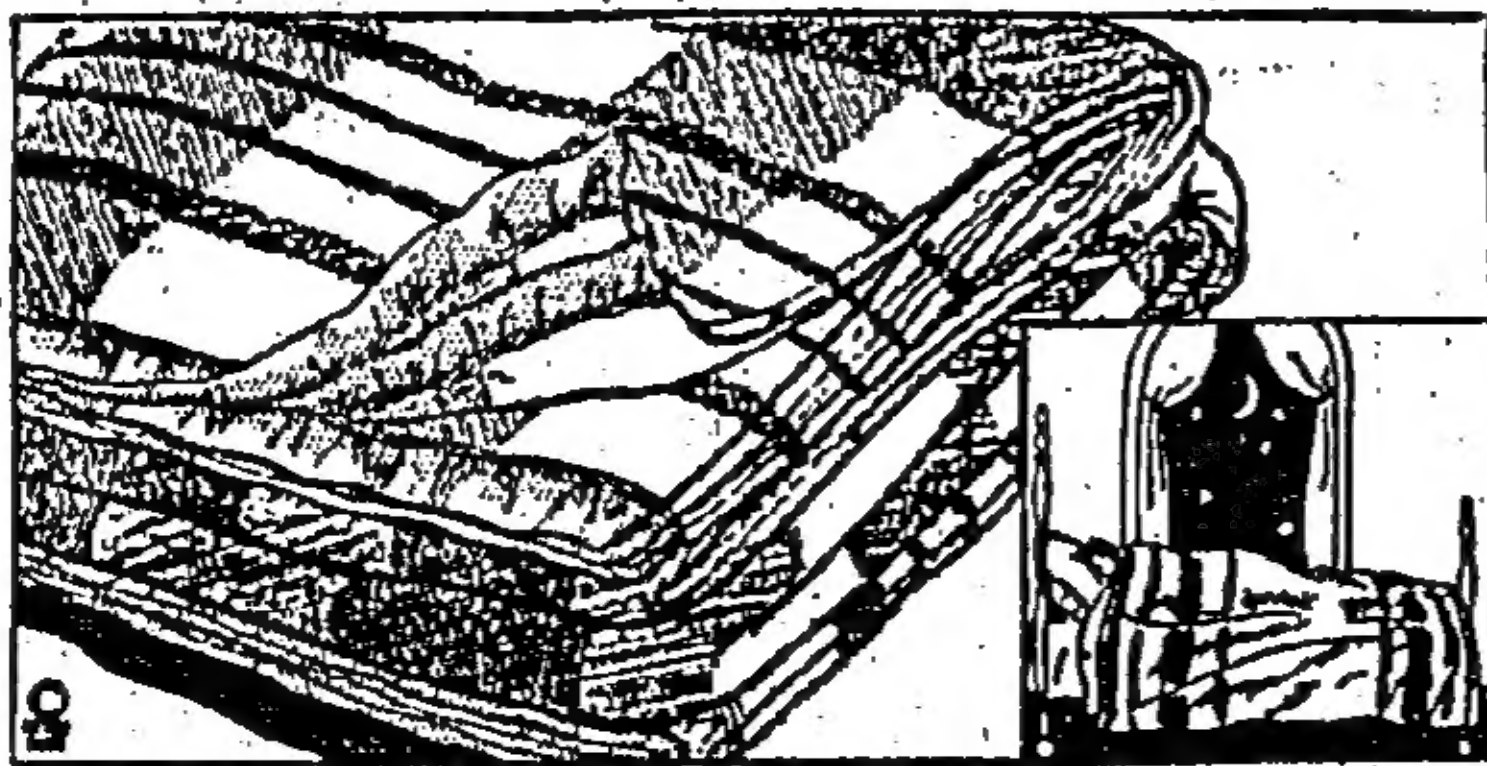
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WHITEAWAYS

The China Mail

Hong Kong, Tuesday, Nov. 17, 1921.

Our Spokesmen.

In their enquiry into the currency problem of the Colony the Commission sent out by the Secretary of State for the Colonies appears to have had quite an easy task. It was armed, first of all, with the report of the local Currency Committee appointed exactly twelve months before. That local Committee, it may be recalled, settled the whole issue before hearing a scrap of evidence by declaring publicly against stabilisation. After its preliminary meeting on April 7, 1920, it was announced that

"The meeting was unanimously agreed in the opinion that no reason had hitherto appeared to show that the use by Hong Kong of a currency based on any other metallic standard of value than that prevailing in the neighbouring country of China would be anything but detrimental to the interests of the Colony."

The meeting at which this decision was unanimously reached ought to have been the first and last. What judge or jury desires to call evidence after solemnly delivering judgment? Yet three months were spent calling witnesses, taking up the valuable time of Government officials and heads of mercantile firms, and preparing and printing the report to the Government. It is, therefore, not difficult to imagine that the Home Commission was immediately awayed by this unanimous decision reached at the preliminary meeting of the local Committee. "Thrice armed is he who gets his blow in first." The local anti-stabilisers delivered that powerful blow within a few minutes of their first meeting to consider details of the procedure to be followed in the conduct of their enquiry! Was ever a jury heard to proclaim: "The man in the dock is guilty—give us now the evidence on both sides?"

The last of five questions submitted to the local Committee was:—

"Is it desirable in the interests of the Colony that the value of the dollar be stabilised? If so, can any effective steps be taken to that end?"

"Having carefully read the local Committee's report... from which we have derived valuable help," the Home Commission divides the problem into three main parts. It falls into the trap set it by the local Committee by placing the first—not the last!—part where it was fifth in the local Committee's set questions:—

"Whether it would be desirable to change the basis of Hong Kong currency from silver to gold, popularly called stabilisation."

Thus three learned jurors—two all the way from London and one all the way from South Africa—found it delightfully easy to endorse the verdict of the local jurors at the latter's preliminary meeting. They decide against immediate stabilisation, and still-imitating the procedure of the local jurors, give a warning to be prepared for stabilisation if and when China "goes gold." Not at all convincing! The tendency of the day—apart from the temporary lapse on the part of the British and other Governments—is directly toward stability of exchange, national and international. That tendency is bound by the process of economic evolution to become stronger instead of weaker as the years roll by; and any nation or Dominion or Colony that refuses to read the signs of the times must be content to be left in the rut. World opinion must inevitably and ultimately force China to "go gold" in spite of the scruples of her financial leaders. And, instead of a powerful British Colony giving China the lead, it will be in the humiliating position of being led. That is the whole moral of the Currency Commission's report in a nutshell.

From Other Pens

Vienna for cleanliness. Turning the corner in a West-end Street early one morning, I was smothered in a cloud of dust and rubbish from a refuse cart collecting its unsavoury burden from a

series of extreme insanitary dustbins. How differently they do these things in Vienna, I reflected. Here is a point on which London's local authorities need have no shame in accepting a hint from their Austrian friends.

In Vienna every house must be provided with its quota of dustbins specially designed to a standard pattern with sliding lids. Each morning there tours the city a magnificent motor "train" of tank wagons tightly closed save for a long line of sliding lids on either side.

The dustman seizes your bin, hitches it on to a special hook, up-lifts it, and the lids on bin and wagon now pressed tightly together open, and later close, simultaneously.

The contents of the bin have been transferred to the wagon. That is all. At no moment can one particle be free to fly about the streets.

The Viennese Way.

Vienna, I imagine, pays more attention to this question of street cleanliness than any other city in Europe. The man who drops a piece of paper in the street renders himself liable, if observed by a policeman, to an immediate fine of two schillings.

Other still more offensive habits are dealt with yet more severely. And no bad thing, either.

Believe It or Not.

A correspondent sends me the following story:

"A Viennese was out for a walk in his native city when he dropped a piece of paper on the pavement. A polite policeman approached, ceremoniously saluted, and, in the suavest manner, demanded the statutory two schillings for the offence."

"The offender complied, received the policeman's receipt for the money, and walked away. Absent-mindedly, alas! he screwed up the official receipt into a ball and threw it away. Once more the guardian of Vienna's law approached; another salute, out came the notebook, and two more schillings changed hands!"—Peterborough in the Daily Telegraph.

Luck of the Pendrells.

The Nelson pension of £5,000 a year, still paid to the holder of the title earned by the victor of Trafalgar, is not the oldest pension for special services which has been handed on from father to son. Scattered around the world are about forty persons who receive pensions as descendants of the family of foresters who hid Charles II. in an oak tree after the battle of Worcester. Fifty pounds is sent across the Atlantic every year to George Pendrell, who is a retired laundry owner, and Dr. Francis E. Walker, of St. John's, Newfoundland, receives £10 a year on the same account. George Pendrell is 77, and his pension will pass to his eldest son, then to his grandson, aged 15. Should both these die there are three more sons ready to keep the pension alive in the main branch of the Pendrell family.

The charter establishing this pension is in the safe of a Wolverhampton solicitor but it should be made clear that the funds from which the money comes are not provided by the State but by a perpetual charge on the land in the neighbourhood where the Boscombe oak stood. Richard Pendrell, who was buried in St. Giles-in-the-Fields was the first recipient of the pension, and the income is distributed now by the trustee of the King, Charles II. estate.—Manchester Guardian.

News in Brief.

The lowest open air temperature yesterday was 69 degrees. The humidity was 64 at 10 a.m. and 69 at 4 p.m.

Four robbers, who entered the Chuen Lai candy factory yesterday evening, left the place without taking anything but stabbed a woman according to a report made to the Police.

The brutal murder of a Chinese woman at Sung Wong Toi Hill, Kowloon City, on September 12 was recalled yesterday afternoon when Mr. Fraser conducted an enquiry. The Coroner returned a verdict of "murder by person or persons unknown."

Personal Pars.

Mr. M. St. John Hall, Manager of the British American Tobacco Co., returned by the s.s. President Lincoln.

According to a Reuter message from Washington, the Italian Foreign Minister, Signor Grandi, arrived there yesterday, and was welcomed by Mr. Stimson and immediately conducted to White House.

According to a Reuter message from Copenhagen, Von Kauffmann, Danish Minister to China and Japan, is replacing Von Oldenburg, Danish Minister at Oslo, who is succeeding Von Bernhoff, Danish Minister in Paris, who has been appointed Director of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

THE ROMANCE OF HELIUM.

Discovered in the sun by the spectroscopist, before man had seen or handled it; regarded for years as a mere laboratory curiosity, after it had been found on earth; helium is now in full-fledged activity as a necessity of industry.

That the United States has a helium monopoly was pointed out at the time of the R-101 disaster. The airship would not have exploded and burned, it was thought, had non-inflammable helium supplied its buoyancy instead of inflammable hydrogen.

Alphonse Berget recounts its remarkable history in Candide (Paris), thus:

In 1868 there was a total eclipse of the sun. The French astronomer Janssen examining a photograph of the spectrum of the solar corona, found a new spectral line, indicating the presence of a hitherto unknown element. He gave to this substance the name "helium" (sun-substance).

Years passed. About 1882, some American scientists discovered that the mineral cleveite, from Greenland, gave off, when heated, what appeared to be nitrogen. British scientists found that this gas had in its spectrum a yellow ray corresponding exactly with that of Janssen's helium.

Helium was thus no longer a monopoly of the sun. Once discovered on the earth, it appeared everywhere—in rocks, in hot springs, and even in the air, in infinitesimal quantities.

This helium is a remarkable gas. Together with hydrogen it is the basis of what has been called the "integration of matter." The nebulae of space are made of atoms of helium, hydrogen and a gas yet unknown on earth, called "nebulium." It is seven times lighter than air and only twice as heavy as hydrogen. Its liquefaction point is very close to the absolute zero.

When radium spontaneously decomposes it gives off three kinds of rays, of which the first, or "alpha rays," are atoms of helium. It is thus an important term in the atomic disintegration of matter, as it is in its integration. When we find hydrogen and helium in a nebula we are observing a world in formation, and these two essential elements under the action of unimaginable temperatures and pressures, will give birth to all the atoms of the known chemical elements.

Helium, for thirty years a scientific rarity, is to-day an industrial substance. It has been found in natural gas, and by liquefying this, the Americans prepare it in sufficient quantities to inflate their giant dirigibles, because of its unflammability.

Helium has another application—in "artificial air." Air is composed, roughly speaking, of one-fifth active oxygen and four-fifths inert nitrogen. Workmen who labour in caissons of compressed air breathe it at high pressure. When they return to the open air, they have trouble owing to the fact that the compressed air, dissolved in the blood, forms bubbles when released, and may obstruct the circulation. The troublesome constituent is the nitrogen. Now by replacing this with the less soluble helium, the danger is averted in great measure.

Miss Renee Adoree, the film actress, is reported to have passed the crisis of her long illness, which was due to a pulmonary ailment. But several months must elapse before she will be able to leave the nursing home at Hollywood.

The Burton Evening Gazette has ceased publication.

CHEUNG CHAU NOTES

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Monday

A very successful "Retreat" has been held during the past few days at house No. 10. The beginning was unfortunate as far as weather was concerned. The fog stopped running owing to the telephone, so the majority of the party were unable to come out on Wednesday evening nor on the early ferry, but they chartered the Sun Chow after she arrived at 9 a.m. About 16 missionaries (clergy, doctors and teachers) from various missions took part either as leaders in the various sessions or in the discussion that followed. Some members had to leave before the final meeting, but all agreed that the meetings were very helpful and well worth while. Similar gatherings will be arranged in the future. The speakers were the Rev. G. McNeur (New Zealand Mission), Dr. Utley, the Rev. Carpenter, C.M.S., the Rev. Shoop, United Brethren, Mr. Simpson, and Rev. Halward.

On Saturday there was a further influx of visitors. About 50 students of the True Light Seminary arrived on the 6 a.m. ferry and spent the day in the vicinity of No. 6.

Some of the "Retreat" party left by boat to make for "Lantau Camp" where they were to stay over night. The rest of the party and the students returned on the 4 p.m. ferry.

Dr. and Mrs. Clift are now residing in Kowloon.

MR. K. K. STAPLE.

FUNERAL.

The funeral of Mr. Kenneth Kingsley Staple, of the firm of Messrs. Palmer & Turner, who was killed in a tragic motor smash on Sunday morning, took place at the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley last evening.

The service was performed by the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave.

Among those present were Messrs. H. J. Tebbutt, J. L. McPherson, A. Morris, L. E. Longbottom, J. H. Bottomley, H. Overy, W. S. Drake, W. Pryde, J. M. Jack, T. G. Stokes, P. T. Farrell, A. E. Silkstone, L. J. Blackburn, G. T. Taylor, J. Gardner, O. A. Smith, A. F. Paul, B. Pasco, B. C. Randall, A. E. Clarke, C. S. Coombs, C. Champkin, F. A. Mackintosh, Capt. Thomas, and Capt. Gelli.

Wreaths were sent by His Sorrowing Wife, Joan; Isa; John, Hugh and Bert; Maude and Mac; Rita and Francis; Billie, and many friends, Masonic bodies and other institutions and firms.

To-day's Thought.

Some people have to make a display of their unreasonableness before they will listen to reason.

Ten Years Ago.

[From the "China Mail" of November 17, 1921.]

To-day's dollar is worth 2/8½.

The funeral of Mr. William George Lay, Commissioner of Customs, whose death at the Peak Hospital was reported yesterday, took place at the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley, yesterday evening, when many attended to pay their last tribute. The principal mourners were Mr. A. H. Lay (son), and Mr. R. C. Comrie (brother-in-law).

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THEN DO SOME TOCK TOCKING.

By Arthur Ransome.

The popular magazines that are chiefly bought on railway journeys are, in Britain, made up of sandwiches, a thin stratum of stories and articles between two fat slabs of advertisement. In America their construction is a little different. There the stories and articles start in a bunch among the early pages. Each one sets itself to get an ancient mariner's grip on the attention of wedding guest or commercial traveller or other railway passenger and to get it in a page or a page and a half, when it breaks off abruptly, "to be continued" 60 or 100 pages further on, among the advertisements. The object seems to be to make sure that the advertisements get read. This shows that American advertisers are at heart much more modest than one would suppose. British advertisers do not even pretend that they need the stories and the articles to draw attention to themselves. They are very well aware that what human beings like is human nature, and that there is much more human nature to be found in the advertisement pages of a magazine than in the merely literary flavoured matter sandwiched in somewhere in the middle. I could give dozens of examples, but one in particular delights me by its simple, direct appeal and its frank recognition of one of the characteristic instincts of this age. It is an advertisement of a toy. Children in the past were supposed to be seen and not heard. We have changed all that. They are living up to their elders. The toy is a model speedboat, very ingenious and effective. But I am concerned not with the toy, clever though it is but with the advertisement. In thick black letters the advertiser announces, not, as persons behind the times might expect, that his toy is silent, but, on the contrary, that it makes a noise: "Continuous 'tock tock' heard for great distance."

The man who wrote that is the child of his age and knows it. He knows that if speedboats were invisible and silent most of their attraction would be gone. It is not enough to go fast. Everybody's attention must be called to the speed at which you are going. The farm-boy on the motor-bicycle takes pleasure in its noise, "a continuous 'tock tock' heard for a great distance," so that Annie in one valley knows that Billy is whirling up the hill out of another. That, of course, is romance, and no one would grudge it her any more than on winter evenings he would grudge her the pleasure of seeing the glow of the searchlight flashing nearer over the woods as her lover comes to meet her, riding his noisy comet. But, alas! it is not for Annie's ears alone that Billy makes a noise in the world. His opinion of himself goes up in proportion to the number of those who cannot get out of earshot of his "tock tock." And why blame him? At least he gets somewhere with his din, which is more than can be said for the rich young men who rush noisily about on a one-time quiet lake destroying its pleasures for everybody except their competitors in oar and speed.

And, after all, they too illustrate crudely and physically a spiritual instinct, and one that is perhaps older than it seems, though it has never before been so encouraged or had such chances of expression. The young gentlemen of coaching days who used to drive four-in-hand through quiet villages on the great roads did not insist that the coach horn should be silent while the ribbons were waving out their gloves. No, no. The noise and bustle, geese and market-folk saving their lives by flight, were part of the fun. I remember the deafening noise of the narrow, cobbled Paris streets in the days before there were motors, when the coachmen of the omnibuses "driving their four abreast kept up a ceaseless canonade of whip-cracking, to which the horses were indifferent, for they understood that it was not meant for them. It was a means of securing publicity, of telling the world that here was a coachman and that he did not care who knew it.

Telegraphs, and particularly the exploitation of the desire for publicity in the columns of newspapers, have but made possible whip-cracking and horn-blowing on a larger scale. We manage to get heard farther afield. The "tock tock" of

Bradman's bat echoes from the Oval to the Antipodes. A politician stumbles on a silly slogan, and it is as if the whole sky were a vast sounding-board above his head. And he likes it. In this overwhelming world to be heard and echoed over great distances is almost enough to persuade a man that there must be something in what he says. For everybody to know what he is doing prevents a man from feeling small, as otherwise he might. Yet, when you come to think of it, most of the people who get into the newspapers—criminals, lawn tennis players, footballers, cricketers, betrothed couples, catchers of the biggest eels, golfers who hole out in one, film-stars—do not themselves meet all those who have had perforce to hear their "tock tock." The effect of the publicity they get (eliminating mere commercial values) must be indirect altering to some degree the attitude adopted towards them by their friends. Yet their friends would be the first to know of their performances. With that, in the past, they would have had to be content. Are their friends a little more obsequious because the "tock tock" has been heard beyond their circle. I should doubt it. I should suspect that it might work just the other way, so that for the sake of their "tock tock" being heard at a distance the seekers of publicity put up with a new element that affects their personal relations and turns their friends into acquaintances. Acquaintances, at least, are reader to flatter. And a man really busy "tock tock" might feel a little uncomfortable at meeting his friends who know him as he is, unenhanced by reverberation.

I wonder if the instinct for publicity has been with us always, and if the only reason why we are more conscious of it to-day is that mechanical contrivances have brought it about that everybody's "tock tock" is heard at a greater distance. Or was it, perhaps, true that in ages of faith, when no one doubted his own survival beyond the grave, there seemed to be less point in making a noise in the present? To-day it must be admitted that those who seem surest of a lasting share of eternity do not neglect such publicity as is within their reach. The hot-gospeller returning from a crusade during which, we were told, she had been "kidnapped in a coffin" meets her son not in private but on a stage before a vast audience. The Dean of St. Paul's is not content with his pulpit but "tock tocks" as loudly as anyone outside it. It used to be the fashion to sneer at the clever "tock tock" of Mr. Bernard Shaw, but it is clear enough to-day that the only difference between him and his competitors was not that they did not "tock tock" as well as

they were able, but that he did it much better. Those who sneered were merely envious.

And, of course, there is real sense in "tock tock" if you have something to say and want to collect your audience. The grand crier who goes "beatin' him drum and bangin' him bell, but saying nut'n, nut'n at all, because him hab nut'n to say" is the type of the "tock tocker" for "tock tock's" sake. But let him have a declaration to make and the louder he beats his drum and bangs his bell the better, lest we who are inattentive should not hear him. To-day, unhappily, this distinction is seldom made. "Tock tock" is heard at a great distance and from all directions, but usually when we listen to it "tock tock" is all we hear, for what is important to the noise-producer is not the quality of the noise but the distance at which it can be heard. To some extent, I suppose, we are all alike in this. "Tock tock! Tock tock! TOCK TOCK!" I hope you can hear me.

HOLLYWOOD HI-LIGHTS.

This company is on its way to Manila this afternoon, having completed a successful season at the Star Theatre in Kowloon. The farewell performance, last night, as has been the case at every one of their performances, attracted a large and enthusiastic house, which was brought down time and again, especially by Rex Story, who did it in more than one way. The many floral tributes, ere the curtain was finally rung down, tangibly expressed appreciation of the artist's good work. That appreciation was well said in flowers. It was a long programme to which the last night audience was entertained, the curtain not being reached until the midnight hour struck. The programme presented, and followed through without hitch, was good—distinctly good in parts, most certainly broad and spicy in others.

The Misses Betty Benn and Patay Shannon, and the Misses Peggy Channon and Isabel O'Brien deserve especial praise; the first two mentioned for their violin harmony number, and the others for their dance numbers. Dr. Foster, the Juggling Jester, and the Mantell's New Manikins were other turns above the ordinary. Rex Story and Rosa Lee raised laughs and kept the house in rare good humour.

IN THE GOOD OLD DAYS.

Perfect is an anecdote of Clemenceau, when he was appointed Minister of the Interior in 1911, going to make acquaintance with the department and being conducted over it by the chief. Everybody of the first two rooms was out having an aperitif or dejeuner, and in the third room there was only one clerk at his desk, and he was fast asleep.

The Chef de Bureau, discomfited and indignant, was about to give the slumberer an impatient nudge when the new Minister restrained him. "No, no!" he laughed. "Don't wake him! He might be off, too!"

AUTOMATIC BEACON

Robot Airway Lights.

A special display of the methods and apparatus employed in the illumination of aerodromes for night flying is now being staged at the West-end offices of Imperial Airways in Charles Street, Lower Regent Street, London, and is attracting considerable attention.

The display includes models of the most modern aerial lighthouses and flashing beacons, many of these latest airway lights being fitted with automatic controls, operated by light rays from the sun. They light themselves up automatically at dusk, and extinguish themselves again with the advent of daylight the following morning. These robot lamp-lighters have, indeed, now been brought to such a state of perfection that they even light up the aerial beacons on the approach of a heavy cloud, extinguishing them again as soon as the cloud has passed over. Such automatically-controlled aerial lighthouses will continue in operation for six months without attention.

Another marvel in the science of illumination is the lighting of the landing areas at air-ports with floodlights of over 1,000,000 candle-power, which produce an illumination equivalent to 75 per cent. of day-light.

"The scientific lighting of air routes and air-ports," said an official of Imperial Airways, "has now made it as easy, and as safe, to alight by night as by day."

LONDON WATERMEN OF OLD.

The cry of "Oars" or "Boat, boat," no longer resounds from the river bank, now faced with massive granite, where, formerly, flights of stairs leading from riverside lanes and streets to the flowing Thames were to be found in goodly numbers. We speak of the Thames with more or less accuracy as the "silent highway"; but from a period little more than a century ago, back to the days of the Tudors and their predecessors, the river was much more emphatically a highway—above bridge, that is to say—than it is now, and "silent" have been applied to the conduct of the watermen and lightermen, whose capacity for varied and picturesque "language" was proverbial.

The London waterman of old was a very numerous body; and the constant coming and going of the boats with their wares, the competing cries of the oarsmen for custom, and their exchange of salutations on the landing-stairs, or as they passed one another on the bosom of the river, were all very marked features of the city life of long ago.

Regulation of the boat passenger traffic was found to be necessary at a very early date. Every boat was numbered and tables of the fares which might be charged were issued by the city authorities, or were even embodied in Acts of Parliament. Thus, in 1515, a statute was passed "concerning watermen on the Thames," which shows the low fares the men were

forbidden to exceed. There was a daily boat to and from Gravesend at twopence each passenger, provided that there was a load of twenty-four persons; to Erith for a penny; to Greenwich and Woolwich for a farthing; to all places between Lambeth and St. Mary Overies, a farthing....

Not many years after the end of the sixteenth century coaches began to be seen in the streets of London, and were viewed with no friendly eye by the boatmen, who were quick to see that the new conveyances might seriously interfere with their river business. For not only was the Thames largely used for transport of all kinds between places at a distance from one another, but the small portion thereof which washed the wharves and landing-stairs and terraced gardens of the city itself was always thronged by wharries conveying passengers from one part of the town to the other, from East to West, from City to Westminster, from Westminster to the Temple, from the Temple to the Tower, as well as from many points on the Middlesex shore to other points on the opposite bank from Lambeth down to Rotherhithe.

The watermen, like the workmen of Ephesus, saw that their craft was in danger, and many a bitter attack was made on the new-fangled coaches. It was a great deal of bother, however, about nothing in particular, for the watermen's trade was little affected by the growing use of carriages for many years after this date.—From "Bygone London Life," by G. L. Apperson.

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These are some of the opinions expressed by Dr. Karl Silex, a well-known German journalist who has lived in London for six years, in an interesting book published called "John Bull at Home" (Harrap, 8s. 6d.).

Discussing what he calls "provincialism in the metropolis," this observer says that the regulation of traffic in London is based on methods dating from the time of the hansom cab, and that congestion is partly due to our domestic habits.

British household economy, for instance, is not concerned with storing provisions. No one dreams of buying potatoes in large quantities, and coals are hardly ever stored for more than a fortnight. The preparation for a simple lunch sees five delivery cans in motion, all of which deliver the needs for the day in minute quantities.

When We Are Happy.

On the subject of men's clothes the author has words of deep wisdom. He has perceived a phenomenon of contemporary English life which has gone uncelebrated for too long—our grey flannel "bags."

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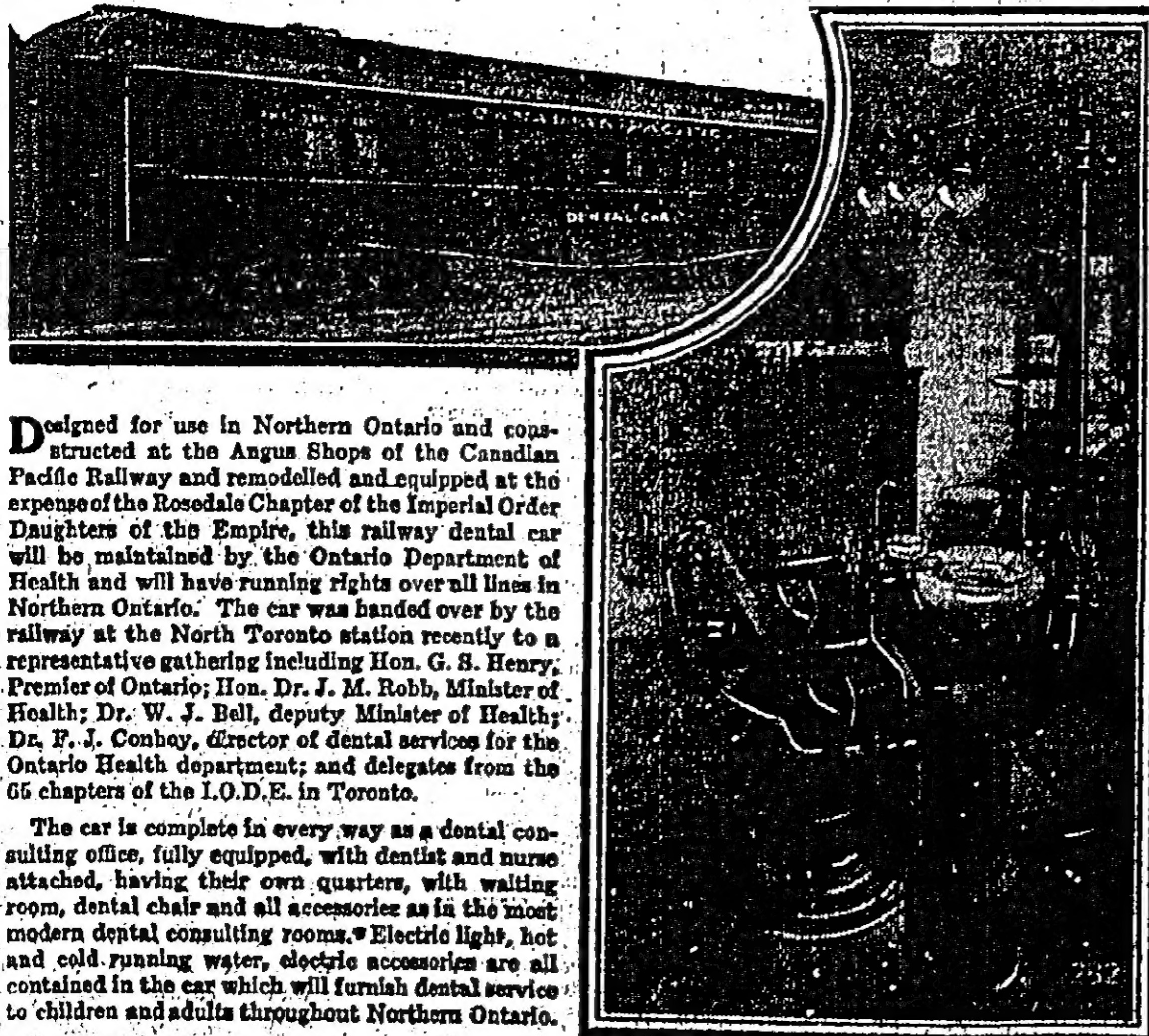
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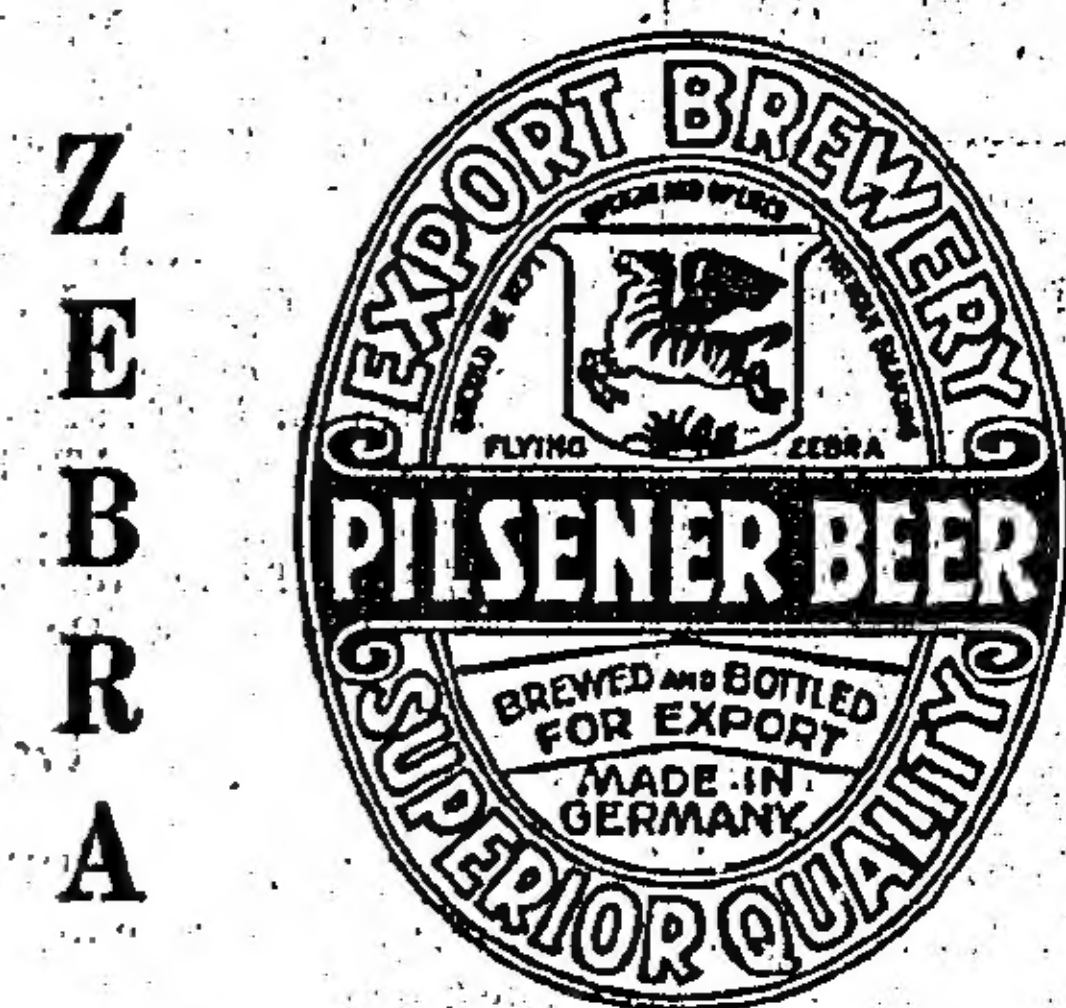
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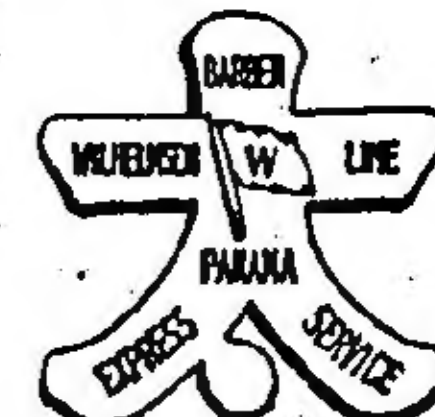
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shores, a distance of 1,000 miles
seems a tremendous long way. Look
at a map of Europe; a circle with a
diameter of 1,000 miles, whose
centre is, say, London, will embrace
Algiers, Budapest, Warsaw, and
Oslo.

To log these stations in London
would be considered good for the
average set, and yet, in South
Africa, where there are only three
main stations distances five and
six times this have to be traversed
in order to be in touch with Euro-
pean broadcasting.

Because of our geographical position,
too, we are at a disadvantage
theoretically, since almost the whole
of the distance is over land. The
intervening space between us and
America, on the other hand, is al-
most entirely water, which probably
accounts for good reception from
that country in spite of the extra
distance.

Three Main Stations.

There are three main stations in
South Africa—Johannesburg, Dur-
ban, and Capetown. The first
named is to have a relay station in
Pretoria and another in Bloemfont-
ein, while a short-wave transmitter
operating on a wave-length of 49
metres has recently come into opera-
tion. The main stations work be-
tween 375 and 450 metres.

The writer lives in Johannesburg,
so that the remaining two trans-
mitters in Durban and Capetown
are approximately 420 and 950 miles
distant respectively. They can, of
course, be picked up easily, but re-
ception conditions are nothing like
as good as in the Old Country.

Rome, working on 441 metres,
would come in exceptionally well if
it were not for the curse of the X's.
Langeburg and Radio Toulouse can
also be heard when conditions are
favourable, although for some reason
or other the British high-power
stations are seldom more than an
un-reliable carrier wave.

It seems that continental stations
modulate to a greater degree than
the home stations. The same ap-
plies to the Empire station at
Chelmsford. The carrier waves are
most encouraging, but disappoint-
ment awaits their solver.

On the short-waves, again, Rome
operating on 254 metres, is the
most reliable, and can be received
well on almost any night. The
same applies to the new experi-
mental station in Paris, working
on a slightly higher wave-length.
Time-out here is two hours ahead
of G.M.T., so "waiting up for the
Yanks" is even more of a vigil than
in Britain.

American Reception.

Reception from America is usual-
ly at its best just before daybreak.
The midnight chimes in New York
can be heard at 7 a.m. omnia. Bri-
tain, America, Germany, France,
Italy, Holland, Australia, India, and
the Philippine Islands can all be
heard on the short-waves when con-
ditions are favourable. A few
nights ago Marconi's yacht Elettra
was heard carrying out telephonic
tests with New York. The yacht
was in Genoa Bay at the time.

The licensing scheme in South
Africa is interesting, and is based
on the distance of the receiver from
the broadcasting station. A fee of
£1 15s. a year is charged for a
radius up to a hundred miles, £1 5s.
up to 250 miles and 15s. for all
distances in excess of that.

In Johannesburg, apart from the
usual wireless time signals, a
scheme is in operation whereby at
eight o'clock each evening the re-
sidents receive a time signal
through the medium of their elec-
tric lights. On the stroke of the
hour the lights are momentarily
dimmed.

During B.S.T., that is, when
London time is only an hour behind
South Africa, it is interesting to
tune in Chelmsford, and hear Big
Ben strike seven and compare it
with the dimming of the lights.
Wonderful as it may seem, the first
stroke of the hour at Westminster
exactly synchronises with the dim-
ming of the lights in Johannesburg.
"Well done, Big Ben," would say
some of our Colonials!

A high-power television trans-
mitter, to be erected by a well-
known German firm, is to be in-
stalled at Rome; it will work in
connection with the existing
broadcasting station. Every effort
is to be made to bring it into
operation before the Christmas
festivities.

IN THE STRAITS.

It is stated that the Straits
Government has decided not to ac-
cede to the local Society's request on
the grounds of the necessity for
economy at the present time. The
Amateur Wireless Society of
Malaya (Singapore) argues that a
broadcasting station in Singapore,
as in every other city and country
of the world, would be self-support-
ing within one year of its erection.
Another strong point in the Society's
argument is that as the Government
is willing to accept a fee of \$5 a
year for a wireless licence it should
be willing to do something for the
benefit of wireless listeners in this
country. If a final decision has
been taken not to spend money on
new equipment for a Singapore
broadcasting station so long as the
present depression lasts, there still
remain two avenues of procedure
which the Government might adopt
in a belated attempt to do at least
something for the benefit of those
who have already been mulcted to
the tune of \$5 for a wireless licence.
The Government can either give the
Singapore Wireless Society the use
of one of the two wireless trans-
mitters it already possesses, or give
a private company the wireless
broadcasting rights for Malaya for
a period of, say, five or ten years,
as was originally done in the case
of the B.B.C. in the early days of
wireless at home.—Straits Times.

NEW USE FOR SHORT-WAVES.

Lately, electrical waves of only a
few metres have aroused the inter-
est of radio scientists in all parts
of the world. In Germany Professor
Esau, working at the Universi-
ty of Jena, greatly enlarged our
knowledge of the character of these
waves by his investigations. In the
course of his experiments Professor
Esau noticed that physiological
effects of various kinds are caused
by ultra-short waves. He believes
these waves are destined to play an
important part, not only in radio

WATER RETURN.

Most Reservoirs on
Island Below Level.

The level and storage of water in
the reservoirs on November 1, 1931,
were as under:

	1930	1931
Tytam	37' 11" B	12' 3" B
Tytam Byewash	14' 3" B	12' 2" B
Tytam Intermediate	L	L
Tytam Tak	1' 0" B	2' 8" B
Wong Nei Chung	10' 10" B	10' 4" B
Pokfulum	11' 8" B	10' 1" B
Aberdeen Upper	14' 5" B	14' 5" B
Aberdeen Lower	0' 2" B	0' 2" B

[Note: B. denotes "Below Over-
flow." A denotes "Above Overflow."
L. denotes "Level with Overflow."]
Storage in millions and decimals
of gallons.

	1930	1931
Tytam	342.52	205.90
Tytam Byewash	6.29	7.95
Tytam Intermediate	195.90	195.09
Tytam Tak	1,380.52	1,340.24
Wong Nei Chung	17.71	18.18
Pokfulum	40.78	44.12
Aberdeen Upper	—	108.24
Aberdeen Lower	—	70.34

Total 1,938.72 2,008.88

Consumption of water in the City
and Hill District in millions and de-
cimals of gallons during the month
of October, 1931.

	1930	1931
Consumption	363.53	381.61
Estimated population	447,180	381,250
Consumption per head per day	23.2	32.3
Includes 97.08 million gallons from Mainland.		
Includes 83.05 million gallons from Mainland.		

Constant supply throughout the
City, Hill and High Level Districts
during the whole month of October,
1930 and 1931.

	1930	1931
Kowloon Main	2' 8" A	L
Kowloon Byewash	—	4' 9" B
Shak Lai Pui	0' 1" B	0' 7" B
Shing Mun Reser- voir	0' 9" B	0' 4" B
Shing Mun Reser- voir	0' 9" B	0' 4" B
Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.		
Kowloon Main	381.32	352.59
Kowloon Byewash	—	107.45
Shak Lai Pui	115.76	118.70
Shing Mun Reser- voir	31.17	32.27

Total 528.25 608.92

Consumption of water in Kowloon
in millions and decimals of gallons
during the month of October, 1931.

	1930	1931
Consumption	155.58	159.67
Estimated population	177,460	221,900
Consumption per head per day	28.2	17.6
Constant supply in all districts dur- ing October, 1930 and 1931.		

The reports of the Government Re-
corder and Analyst show that the
quality of the water is satisfactory.
Total rainfall recorded by Royal
Observatory from January 1, 1930,
95.16; January 1, 1931, 74.87.

FRENCH BROADCASTING.

Jealousy and mistrust among
rival radio interests were referred
to by M. Guernier, the French
"P.M.G.," in his long-awaited
speech in connection with the open-
ing of the Autumn Radio Salon at
the Paris Colonial Exhibition. M.
Guernier said that the delay in
regularising French broadcasting
was due to the conflict of two
schools—one wanting a State radio
monopoly and the other a measure
of private liberty with State super-
vision. To abolish jealousy between
large centres of population, each of
which demands its own station, M.
Guernier proposes to set up high-
power regional stations of 60 kw.
or more which would cover not
merely individual towns, but de-
finite areas of country. He revealed
that the 1931-32 Budget allocates
\$520,000 solely for the development
of broadcasting. The only fear in
French wireless circles, according
to a Paris correspondent, is that
this radio-minded P.M.G. will be
dethroned from his post before the
proposals materialise. The Govern-

ment has already been in power for
several months—a long period for
a French Ministry!

STANDARD TIMES.

Sunrise and Sunset
in Colony.

Sunrise and Sunset in Hong
Kong for November, 1931, Stan-
dard time of the 120th Meridian,
East of Greenwich, are as fol-
lows:—

	Sunrise	Sunset
	a.m.	p.m.
17	6.37	6.40
18	6.37	6.39
19	6.38	6.39
20	6.38	6.39
21	6.39	6.39
22	6.40	6.38
23	6.40	6.38
24	6.41	6.38
25	6.42	6.38
26	6.43	6.38
27	6.43	6.38
28	6.44	6.38
29	6.45	6.38
30	6.46	6.38

HONG KONG MARKET PRODUCE

Nov. 12, June, June,

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	1931	1918	1914
	Cts.	Cts.	Cts.
Butcher Meat.			
Beef Sirloin	牛尾肥	lb. 38	24 12
" Prime Cut	牛尾	lb. 30	28 11
" Corned	咸牛肉	lb. 28	28 12
" Roast	牛肉	lb. 38	24 22
" Breast	牛肉	lb. 30	20 18
" Soup	牛肉	lb. 27	20 18
" Steak	牛肉	lb. 33	24 22
" Steak Sirloin	牛肉	lb. 46	30 85
" Sausages	牛肉	lb. 36	28 20
Rubio's Brains	牛肉	per set 17	10 12
" Tongue, fresh	牛肉	each 75	50 60
" Tongue, corned	牛肉	each 60	—
" Head	牛肉	lb. 1.20	— 1.20
" Heart	牛肉	lb. 24	18 14
" Hump, Salt	牛肉	lb. 20	18 18
" Feet	牛肉	each 12	10 12
" Kidneys	牛肉	lb. 15	10 12
" Tail	牛肉	lb. 27	20 22
" Liver	牛肉	lb. 24	18 14
" Tripe	牛肉	lb. 8	6 7
Calves' Head & Feet	牛頭	set 1.50	1.00 1.00
Mutton Chop	羊腩	lb. 44	25 —
" Leg	羊腩	lb. 44	26 —
" Shoulder	羊腩	lb. 40	24 —
" Saddle	羊腩	lb. 44	—
Pigs' Chillings	猪腩	lb. 30	27 —
" Brains	猪腩	per set 8	—
" Feet	猪腩	lb. 18	15 —
" Fry	猪腩	lb. 30	15 18
" Head	猪腩	lb. 20	20 —
" Heart	猪腩	each 18	10 10
" Kidneys	猪腩	lb. 15	10 8
" Liver	猪腩	lb. 48	30 24
" Pork Chop	猪腩	lb. 40	25 23
" Leg	猪腩	lb. 42	—
" Loin	猪腩	lb. 45	60 70
" Fat or Lard	猪腩	lb. 28	21 —
Sheep's Head & Feet	羊頭	per set 90	60 70
" Heart	羊頭	each 12	8 7
" Kidneys	羊頭	lb. 15	12 10
" Liver	羊頭	lb. 45	26 25
" Sucking Pig, to order	猪	lb. 25	25 22
Salt, Beef	猪	lb. 30	20 18
" Mutton	猪	lb. 35	26 26
" Veal	猪	lb. 22	20 20
" Sausages	猪	lb. 28	—
No. 1	猪	lb. 32	—

Fish.

	1931	1918	1914
	lb.	lb.	lb.
Barbel	魚	lb. 48	16 24
Bream	魚	lb. 38	20 16
Canton Fresh Water	魚	lb. 38	—
Carp	魚	lb. 40	13 16
Catfish	魚	lb. 42	16 27
Codfish	魚	lb. 42	12 9
Crabs	魚	lb. 58	16 17
Cuttle Fish	魚	lb. 24	23 26
Dab	魚	lb. 28	16 27
Dace	魚	lb. 58	23 16
Dog Fish	魚	lb. 20	10 —
Eels, Conger	魚	lb. 62	10 8
" Fresh Water	魚	lb. 60	16 —
" Yellow	魚	lb. 56	10 8
Frogs	魚	lb. 90	32 25
Garoupa	魚	lb. 24	40 30
Gudgeon	魚	lb. 35	22 18
Herrings	魚	lb. 40	13 22
Halibut	魚	lb. 28	18 15
Labrus	魚	lb. 76	22 18
Loach	魚	lb. 68	62 24
Lobsters	魚	lb. 48	32 21
Mackerel	魚	lb. 53	20 20
Monk Fish	魚	lb. 42	13 2
Mullet	魚	lb. 42	12 2
Oysters	魚	lb. 28	14 9
Parrot Fish	魚	lb. 28	30 15
Perch	魚	lb. 46	16 9
Pike	魚	lb. 54	36 20
Plaice	魚	lb. 58	36 30
Pomfret, White	魚	lb. 40	36 35
Pomfret, Black	魚	lb. 62	10 14
Prawns	魚	lb. 26	10 14
Ray	魚	lb. 26	13 18
Rock Fish	魚	lb. 38	22 10
Shrimp	魚	lb. 50	36 30
Salmon	魚	lb. 20	8 10
Shark	魚	lb. 20	10 10
Skate	魚	lb. 54	36 30
Shrimps	魚	lb. 52	28 28
Snapper	魚	lb. 40	22 28
Soles	魚	lb. 40	26 85
Tench	魚	lb. 40	12 12
Turbot	魚	lb. 1.50	40 —
Turtles, small fr. water	魚	lb. 1.50	40 —

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CIVILISATION OUT OF JOINT.

At the Modern Churchmen's Conference at Oxford recently Canon Charles Raven of Liverpool, dealing with the crisis of modern civilisation, said that mankind had increased almost as rapidly and irrationally as Malthus had predicted, and its resources had so vastly extended, that now a four-hour day would supply every need. Machines were idle and raw material rotting. The goods, labour, and demand were there, yet we sat helpless because the financial system could not enable the unemployed to devote their energies to the relief of need. Our educational system, athletics, and journalism still fostered a snobbish individualism and a passion for selfish and often quite ill-founded prestige.

Lieutenant Colonel Sir Arnold Wilson analysing the causes of the decline and fall of empires pointed out some astonishing resemblances to life of to-day. "Roman civilisation," he said, "had to face the problems of trusts. There existed coalitions of rival companies in order jointly to establish monopolist prices." Things are almost certainly better now than they were 2,000 years ago, but we must admit that we have yet to learn to use wealth with wisdom, and on the solution of this problem, whether by the individual or by that modern and dubious entity the State, depends in my judgment the maintenance or decay of our civilisation.

The misuse of leisure seemed to be symptomatic of the decay of civilisations. A purely intellectual standard of life entailed misery and eventual decadence. Literary men, professors, thinkers, philosophers, preachers, teachers, and politicians had their place in life but skilled manual workers were the real creators of a civilisation. If modern education had insisted more on hands than brains, man would have been more independent and happier.

"The weakness of the Hadov reports," added Sir Arnold, "lies in the failure adequately to emphasise this side of life. The results of the present system are, for all to see, vast numbers of poverty-stricken intellectuals who cannot use their hands to any useful purpose, men unable to paint their houses or to effect even the simplest repairs, women unable to sew or cook or to look after children, and who are miserable because they cannot afford to pay for others to serve them. The increasing use during the past 100 years of steam and electric power and of machines is having effects upon those nations mainly concerned analogous in some respects to the effects of slavery — that nemesis of nations. It has resulted in cheap imports of articles that could formerly be produced locally." We had by no means adjusted the mechanism of our civilisation to it.

WESLEYAN CHURCH

New and Visiting
Padres Attend.

A FIELD DAY.

Sunday was quite a field day in the Churches of Hong Kong. At the Wesleyan Church, in Wanchai, the new minister (the Rev. E. C. H. Tribbeck) conducted his first services, preaching morning and evening to large congregations.

At an after-meeting, held in the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home, Mr. Tribbeck, who has had experience as a military chaplain, showed great aptitude in addressing servicemen and in answering the "catch questions," generally quite unrelated to the subject under discussion, which the service men delights to fire at the padre. The way Mr. Tribbeck handled an argument as to compulsory church parades was masterly.

At Union Church, Kennedy Road, the morning preacher was the Rev. Dr. P. Bruce Thornton, of Winnipeg, Canada, who has been commissioned by the United Church of Canada to visit the mission fields and is now on his way home after visiting India, Australia and New Zealand. He mentioned that he spent last Christmas Day in Bethlehem. Dr. Thornton delivered a most interesting address in the course of which he drew upon a large fund of telling anecdotes. His subject was "Facing the Facts." A deputation to the mission fields appointed by the Presbyterian Church of England happened also to be passing through Hong Kong, and its leader, the Rev. G. L. Brender, M.A., B.D., spoke at Union Church in the evening. The other members of the deputation are Miss Grant, Miss Moore and Dr. Carruthers of London.

FINE TO CLOUDY.

The Royal Observatory's report this morning states:—
The typhoon to the East of Aparri has filled up. The other typhoon is about midway between Guam and Yap. Its direction of motion is uncertain.

The anti-cyclone over N. China has strengthened.
Forecast:—N.E. winds, moderate to fresh; fine to cloudy, some rain later.

Rainfall.
Rainfall for 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day 0.02 inch. Total since January 1, 75.83 inches against an average of 81.43 inches — deficit 5.60 inches.

Temperature.
The temperature at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock was:—
Hong Kong 70
Macao 68
Pratas Island 72
Fochow 65
Amoy 67
Swatow 66
Chefoo 52
Shanghai 41
Manila 76

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

Levelier Tone This
Morning.

GENERAL IMPROVEMENT.

The official summary issued by the Stock Exchange to-day states: With the sudden drop in exchange this morning there was a much livelier tone in the market, with a general improvement in prices. At the moment buyers appear to be anxiously looking for stocks.

Banks were in demand at \$1,500. Unions were wanted at \$400. China Underwriters were in request at \$4½.

Raubs were wanted at \$37. Wharves were in demand at \$150.

Providents (old) were in demand at \$5.05, with sellers asking \$5.20. The new shares, after being done at \$2.40, closed in demand at \$2.35.

Hotels (old), which were dealt in at \$14.40, had buyers at the close at \$14½, and sellers seeking \$14½.

H.K. Land were done at \$79½, \$79½ and \$80, and at the close were in demand at \$79½, with sellers asking \$80.

Ewos were wanted at \$15.10, after sales being put through at \$15.25.

Trams were in demand at \$20.50. Star Ferries were wanted at \$89. China Lights were wanted at \$27½.

H.K. Electrics were in demand at \$75½.

Cements (combined) were in request at \$18½.

H.K. Ropes, after being put through at \$17, closed in demand at \$17.80.

Dairy Farms were in demand at \$23.

Watsons were in the market at \$16.

Constructions (old) were wanted at \$8½, and the new shares, after being dealt in at \$2½, closed with buyers at this figure.

H.K. Government Loan was wanted at \$2½ premium.

HONG KONG'S AQUARIUM.

The Hong Kong Aquarium, at 24, Des Voeux Road Central, was formally inaugurated this morning, when the organisers, Professor Sulzbach, zoologist, and Mr. E. Allum Poon, were "At Home" to a number of friends and Pressmen. Tea was served and then glasses were changed and the success of the venture toasted.

CONVICTED ON BLOOD-TEST.

Berlin, October 7.

On the strength of a blood-test a young woman in Aachen (Aix-la-Chapelle) has been sent to prison for perjury.

She had obtained a paternity order, but the defendant appealed. The Court ordered a blood-test, which demonstrated that the man was not the father of the child, and his accuser was sentenced to fifteen months' imprisonment and five years' loss of civil rights.—Exchange Telegraph.



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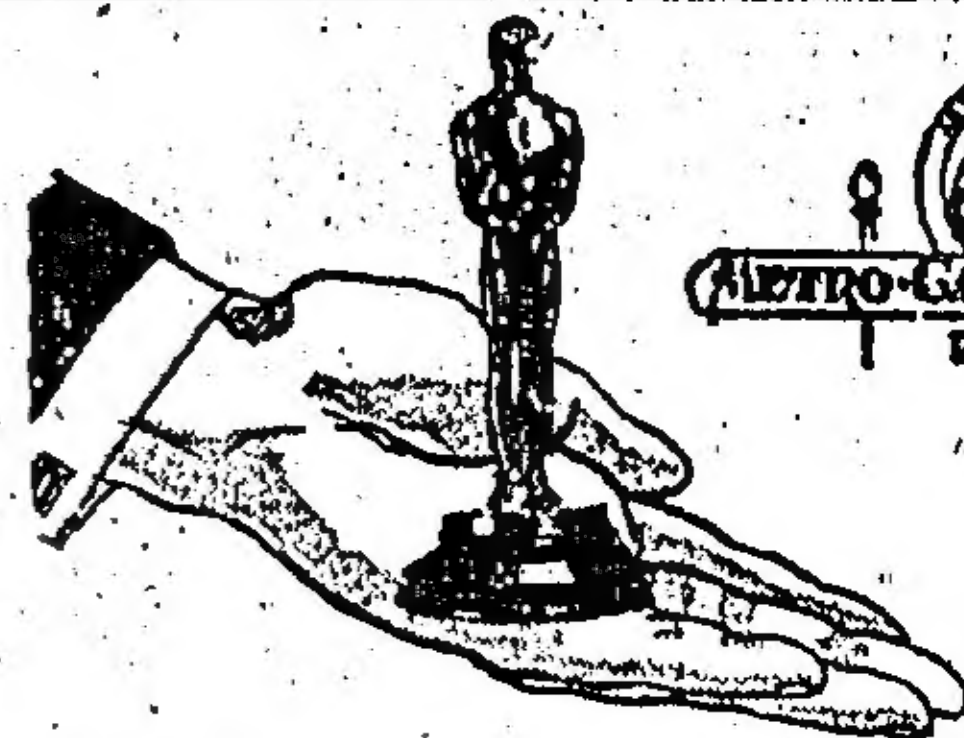


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AMUSEMENTS

AT THE
QUEEN'S SHOWING TO-DAY
At 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.20.



FOR her marvellous performance in "The Divorcee," lovely Norma Shearer was given the highest award in filmdom.
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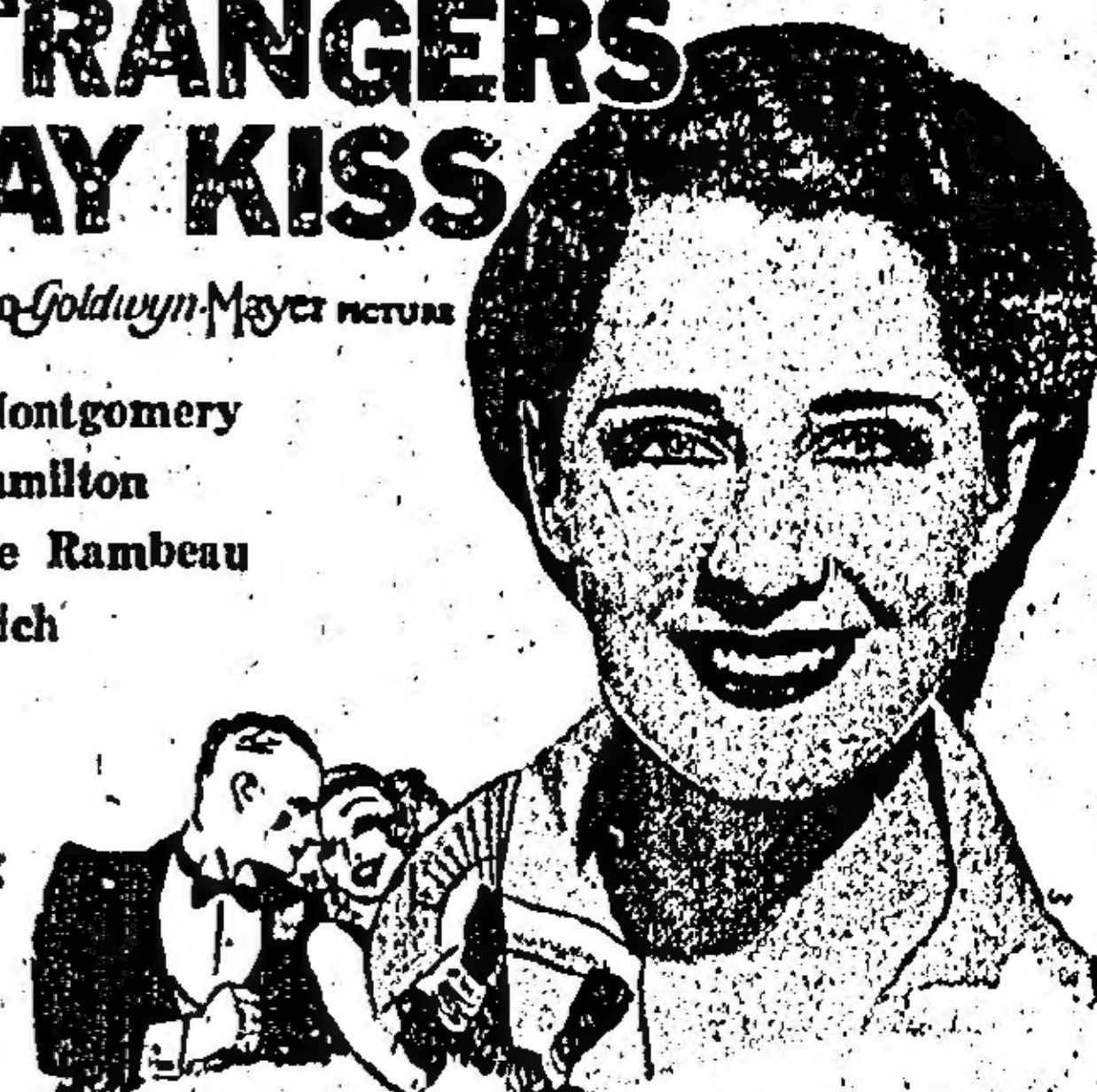
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